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PRATAS SHOAL.

PROPOSED WEATHER STATION.

SURVEYING YACHT HERE.

A definite stage has now been entered upon in connection with the scheme for erecting a wireless station on the Pratas Shoal for the purpose of sending out weather reports for the benefit of shipping. The Chinese Admiralty Hydrographical Survey yacht, Kam Lu, is here in Hongkong, having been commissioned for preliminary survey work amongst the Shoals, and an interesting interview was obtained by a Telegraph reporter to-day with the Commander in regard to the actual work to be embarked upon on arrival of the vessel at its destination.

As a wireless station on the Pratas would benefit not only Hongkong but also a large area of South China, from the shipping point of view, the matter was taken up with the Chinese Government within whose jurisdiction the Shoal lies. From the exchange of views, definite plans took shape when a communication was received from Sir Francis Aglen (Inspector General of the Chinese Maritime Customs) that the Government was favourably disposed towards the scheme, and, having on their part recognised the benefits which would result from it, would undertake the work themselves. This much was to-day learned from Commander P. Y. Kiang, who, having been commissioned by the Chinese Admiralty for the work, brought the Kam Lu from Shanghai last week with a crew of over thirty men and with all equipment necessary for the important task of obtaining soundings amongst the shoals.

He pointed out that the scheme would not be practicable unless they made the shoal accessible to boats carrying provisions and stores, and the place tolerable as a place of habitation for the staff of the wireless station. Nothing less attractive could be imagined than these Shoals, said Commander Kiang, the facilities as a place of residence being next to nothing. The main reef measures as much as a mile and a half in length, and there are as only three coconut palms on it to adorn the solitary landscape. Of fresh water there is a little supply from a water hole excavated by the Japanese fishermen who frequent the shoals. The wireless station would have to be provisioned from time to time, and Commander Kiang understood that arrangements in this connection would be organised from Hongkong.

To make the main islet, on which the wireless station is to be built, accessible to these provision craft, it will be necessary to establish a channel through the shoals and surrounding reefs. A way through has been discovered and used by Japanese fishing boats, but it is not dependable in all weathers unless the channel is marked out with buoys. The work which will now be entered upon will be to take soundings of this channel and to lay out the course with buoys. Later on, materials will be taken to the shoal for the erection of the wireless station, which will be equipped with a radio compass. In this connection, Commander Kiang mentioned that signal gear will also be erected for the benefit of passing vessels, and, possibly at a later date, a lighthouse will also be built on the shoals.

The survey staff aboard the Kam Lu has been joined in Hongkong by Mr. Woltemad, an architect, also by a civil engineer and a carpenter. The vessel is awaiting a report on the weather conditions from the Weather Bureau before proceeding to the Pratas Shoal, which is about 170 miles from Hongkong. Some particulars in regard to the vessel itself may not be without interest. Built some 18 years ago by Messrs. Russell and Company at their yard at Port

PEKING FRACAS.

VICE-MINISTER OF EDUCATION DISMISSED.

Peking, March 17.
A mandate was issued at mid-night summarily dismissing Ma Hsu-lin from his post of Vice-Minister of Education.
This was a sequel to a fracas that took place yesterday afternoon, when a band of students and employees of the eight Government colleges attacked Minister Wang Chiu-lin on his arrival in a motor-car to assume office.
Wang Chiu-lin, who is a prominent member of the Kuomintang and had declined to assume office until Sun Yat-sen's death, was rescued by a bodyguard and returned to his home.
Police were sent to quell the disturbance, but the students could not be persuaded to disperse until the police were withdrawn.
It is stated that Ma Hsu-lin instigated the affair because he wished to remain in charge of the Ministry.—Daily Bulletin.

SWATOW NEWS.

CANTON FORCES IN CHARGE.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Swatow, Mar. 18.
The city is again quiet, with the Kuo Ming Tang forces in charge. A few Russian and Canton officers pass through here occasionally, and that is about all the military activity available.
The Canton forces at present stay in their barracks, situated just outside the city limits, nearly all the time. Enemy troops are situated not so very far from the city. Once in a while—always during the night—the Canton forces will make a raid upon their enemies and do a little scuffling. They always return before the approach of daylight, and I have ascertained that so far their advances have always been quickly repulsed. They are by no means being so firmly seated in the saddle as formerly reported, and the end of this disastrous civil war does not by any means seem to be in sight yet.

INTER-EMPIRE TRADE.

COMMITTEE COMMENCES SESSION.

London, March 17.
The Imperial Economic Committee held its first meeting at the Board of Trade to-day.
Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, welcoming the Empire-wide representatives, emphasised the importance of development of imperial resources and mutual trade. He promised that the Government would do its utmost to assist the work of the committee.
Sir H. Mackinder, replying, emphasised that the terms of reference indicated the chief competitor with which the committee was concerned was the foreign food supplier, not the home producer in Britain. The committee would therefore endeavour to secure that food-stuffs in Britain came as far as possible from inside the Empire. The committee was an expert in Empire co-operation, not an attempt at Empire Government. The future development of the Empire both as to trade and constitution lay in the application of the principle of co-operation.—Reuter.

Glasgow, the Kam Lu (3,000 tons net) was formerly the British Admiralty yacht Atlanta. She is a trim-looking vessel, and her appearance with white hull and yellow smokestack is more suggestive of a multi-millionaire's yacht than a Chinese Government vessel. She is 385 feet long. Her Commander received his training at the Foochow Naval College.

THE PIRACY PROBLEM.

SOME INTERESTING SIDELIGHTS.

[BY "OLD HAND."]

In your issue of February 11th, there was a most interesting article on the piracy question by "Old Timer," concerning which I should like to make a few remarks. "Old Timer" stated that the local pirates have "two bases, Hongkong where the next stunt is planned, and their depot on the mainland to which they carry off their acquisitions in the shape of goods and prisoners to be held for ransom." He further explains how Kongmi (opposite Mahning) in the Shuntak district, and Bias Bay, are, in most cases, the mainland bases which the pirates use.

Now, was "Old Timer" right in his statements? Let us see. We know that several of the persons taken as hostages after the Tai Lee piracy—she is a British vessel trading between this port and Kongmoon—have been killed, and that a few others of them are, even now, still held for ransom at Kong Mi, near Mahning in the Shuntak district. We are also aware of the fact that many of the victims of the piracy on the Chinese steamer Hui Hoi are still detained at exactly the same place. The cargo taken out of her was quite openly sold there.

Recently, there was a case at the local Central Magistracy in which a Chinese woman's 11-year-old son was stated to have been abducted from Canton by brigands. Anybody who has read this Court report will see the exact procedure followed by the pirates. Although the lad was kidnapped at Canton the woman had to come to Hongkong in order to see the pirates "go-between," and it appears that she received some assistance from the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs here in order to try and find the culprits, although only a couple of the lesser "go-betweens" are reported to have been caught. The place Kongmi again appears in this case, and the pirates demanded a thousand dollars, ten bags of opium, and fifty dollars "lucky money" as ransom for the boy, and asked it all to be sent to Kongmi. (So far, the little boy does not appear to have been returned to his mother.)

On March 11th, an interesting threatening letter, sent to a comrade of one of our river boats, was published in the Telegraph, and the place where they wanted the money sent was again near Kongmi.
What can we deduce from all this? In the first place, it appears that the pirates are very often stationed in Hongkong while they are planning their outrages, and also that their lair is in the vicinity of Kongmi, in the Shuntak district. This place is by no means strongly fortified, and the ridiculous myth about terrible strongholds can simply be cast aside as no much nonsense.

It seems to the writer that the best way in which the operations from Kongmi could be suppressed, would be for the Hongkong authorities to come to an understanding with the Chinese authorities at Canton whereby the latter would impose a heavy fine on the district and the village elders be detained until satisfaction was given. If this procedure were followed, I believe that we should see better results than from all the other anti-piracy measures now in operation.

That the pirates are often enjoying immunity here at Hongkong, while they are concocting their villainies, can be seen from the fact that in many instances the victims of the depredations are asked to come to Hongkong in order to pay their blood-money. Indeed, a missionary, told me very recently that he knew of at least two instances where the ransom money demanded by pirates in Hongkong had actually been paid out by cheque! It seems to me that such a matter as this needs looking into, in addition to which there should be the closest cooperation between the Hongkong Government and the Chinese authorities.

SUN'S SUCCESSOR?

MR. YAU LIT.



Above is a portrait of Mr. Yau Lit, who has been freely mentioned as a possible successor to the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen as head of the Kuomintang Party. About sixty years of age, Mr. Yau is one of the original band of revolutionaries got together by Dr. Sun, but after about 20 years' joint labour, Mr. Yau retired from active part in the movement, on account of differences with his leader. Since that time he has lived more or less as a recluse, devoting his time to the writing of books. In this latter connection, he has especially concentrated on the teachings of Confucius, which he considers would, if put into practice, solve many of China's present-day problems.

CHEAP FOREIGN GOODS.

A MENACE TO BRITAIN.

London, March 17.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Grattan Doyle introduced a resolution expressing the opinion that it was undesirable to continue unrestricted importation of foreign manufactures made under sweated conditions, which were detrimental to the interests of British workmen and a contributory factor to unemployment.
He referred to a rumour that a syndicate was being started in Glasgow for the purpose of importing German coal cheaper than it could be produced in Britain. He asked what Labour was going to do about it.

The Labourite, Mr. Dalton, proposed an amendment declaring that the interests of British workmen cannot be helped by any tariff. The causes and consequences of sweating at home and abroad were indivisible, and should be dealt with as a whole. He declared in favour of the development of international labour conventions all over the world.
Mr. Crawford described the resolution as naked protectionist propaganda, and declared that the Liberals were prepared to join in action on the lines of the Washington convention, particularly through the League of Nations.

The amendment was defeated by 240 to 137, and the resolution was talked out.—Reuter.

TINNED CHINESE EGGS.

London, March 17.
In the course of the discussion on cheap German coal imports, in the House of Commons, the Labourite, Mr. Tom Johnstone, referred to the sweated conditions in India, and said that when these were abolished it would be time to cast stones at places like Japan.

He declared that Australia could not send currants to Britain to compete with sweated currants from Smyrna, where they were trampled upon with naked feet, whereas the Australian handled machinery alone. Britain ought to tell Greece, Turkey and the nations engaged in the production of sultanas and currants that they must ratify the Washington Convention, otherwise their products would be prohibited from entering the country.

Australia was also prevented from sending liquid eggs, because she was cut out by Chinese sweated labour.
Mr. Johnstone exhibited a tin of Chinese liquid eggs, assuring the House, amid laughter, that he had not punctured the lid.—Reuter.

ARMS CASES.

OFFENDERS HEAVILY SENTENCED.

Sentences varying from five years to ten were imposed on Chinese charged at the Criminal Sessions, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, this morning, with the unlawful possession of arms.

The first prisoner, who was father charged with returning to the Colony after being banished for ten years, pleaded guilty, at the same time declaring that he was only carrying the loaded revolver on another person's behalf. His Lordship imposed sentence of seven years' hard labour on the first count and three years on the second.

TEMPTED AND FELL.

Tand Sing, represented by Mr. N. I. Brower, was charged, with possession of four revolvers and 400 rounds of ammunition.

Mr. Brower, pleading guilty, said he would ask his Lordship to exercise his discretionary powers. The arms were not prisoner's property, although they were in his possession.

The prisoner intimated that he did not wish to plead guilty and denied that the arms were in his possession.

Mr. Brower consulted with his client and for the second time entered a plea of guilty. He pleaded for leniency in view of the fact that prisoner had a blind father and a wife and young child to support. He was hard up, and when tempted by the offer of a useful sum for carrying the revolvers, he fell.

Sentence of five years' hard labour was passed.

BLAMED THE PRINCIPAL TENANT.

Four Chinese, Lau Sui-chuen, Lau Sun-chu, Lo Kam-wa and Lo Pun, charged separately with offences under the Arms Ordinance, arising out of a raid on a house at Mongkok, when they were all arrested in a cubicle, blamed the principal tenant of the house, First prisoner admitted possession of a loaded revolver, but said Cheong Chow, the principal tenant, gave it him.

His Lordship:—Why did he give it to you?
Prisoner:—To use as a weapon for fighting. I had been drinking wine and he forcibly handed it to me.

Seven years' hard labour was imposed.
Lau Sun, who, in addition to a dagger, was found to be in possession of five walnuts (for gagging purposes it was suggested), and four lengths of thick tape, pleaded guilty and also referred to the principal tenant. He received seven years' hard labour.

The remaining two, on whom daggers were found, resorted to the same defence and were each sentenced to seven years' hard labour.

ROBBERY STORY.

ALLEGED THEFT OF OVER \$6,000.

The theft of a sum of \$6,170 from a safe has been reported to the police by a salesman of the Fook Wo firm of rice-importers, of No. 144 Winglok Street.

The report contains a story of an armed robbery in which Yip Chuen-chi, a salesman who lives in the shop, was bound and gagged and removed from one room to another. All these things, he told the police, occurred whilst he was asleep and he did not know what had transpired until he woke up this morning.

If a robbery had been committed by armed robbers, it is presumed that entry was effected through the trap door of the roof and that a duplicate key was used to open the safe.

THE KING'S ABSENCE.

COMMISSION APPOINTED.

TO ACT FOR HIS MAJESTY.

London, March 17.
The King's Commission, to conduct State affairs during his absence, is now gazetted, and consists of:—

Prince Henry, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Viscount Cavo, and Mr. Stanley Baldwin, any two of whom are jointly empowered to act on behalf of His Majesty, except in the case of a dissolution of Parliament or bestowment of honours, or other matters which in their discretion require the King's authority.

The installation of Prince Henry as a Privy Councillor is also gazetted.—Reuter.

[The choice of Prince Henry is owing to the fact that for a time all the Royal Family but himself will be absent from Britain.]

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NOTED PIANIST.

TO PLAY IN HONGKONG.

There is another treat for Hongkong music-lovers, this week, for on Friday evening, at 8.30, Felix Dyck, a noted pianist, is to appear at the City Hall. He has just arrived here from Manila, where he scored big successes.

Felix Dyck has been given wonderful Press notices in all parts of the world. The *Figaro* (Paris) describes him as an artist who possesses a remarkably sure technique, adding "He reveals a decidedly outstanding personality, combined with a wonderful feeling for tonal subtleties." The *Berliner Tageblatt* says that "he stands in the first rank of pianists," whilst the *New York Musical Courier* remarks that he is an exceptionally gifted pianist, possessing "an extraordinary technique and a sympathetic tone."

GRAIN SLUMP.

EFFECT ON STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, March 17.
Panicky conditions have spread to other grains. There was some recovery late in the afternoon, but short-lived, and liquidation was resumed.

Delivery for May closed within two cents of the lowest quotation.

In New York, stocks broke precipitately, coincidently with the drastic declines in the grain markets. Most of the standard descriptions of rails and industrials dropped one to three points, to new low records for current movement.—Reuter's American Service.

HEAVY COLLAPSE.

Chicago, March 17.
After several days' excitement on the wheat market with large net losses being recorded daily and a big overnight drop in Liverpool quotations, wheat collapsed eleven cents this morning, opening with heavy selling accompanied by the wildest trading.—Reuter's American Service.

TRADER'S JACKET OUT.

PRISONER DENIES COMPLICITY.

The complainant and another witness for the prosecution failed to put in an appearance at the Criminal Sessions this morning when Chan To was charged, before Sir Henry Gollan, with the theft of \$30 from the person of Mo Fat-yun.

Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared for the Crown and said that the incident occurred on February 23rd, when the s.s. Lingchow was unloading her passengers. Complainant was a trader who had come from Pakhoi and in his inner jacket he was carrying \$30 in three rolls of ten-cent pieces. One packet had been recovered and he had said that he recognised it as it was wrapped in a paper advertising some pills. He felt a man's hand in his pocket, which he found had been cut, and caught hold of prisoner. The whole of the packets were missing and he accused prisoner of stealing them. A struggle ensued and they fell into a motorboat at the bottom of the gangway. The complainant had stated that the prisoner handed him one of the packets and asked him to let him go.

Legal argument followed as to whether the Crown Solicitor was permitted to read the evidence at the Magistracy by the complainant and his foki, and his Lordship decided to admit it.

Prisoner, who pleaded not guilty, denied that he had anything to do with the theft, or that he had handed one of the rolls of ten-cent pieces back to complainant.

The jury recorded a verdict of guilty and a sentence of three years' hard labour was passed.

Five previous convictions were proved against the prisoner.

SOLDIER IN TROUBLE.

SPRING GARDEN LANE INCIDENT.

Charges of wilfully damaging property inside a tailor's shop at No. 19, Spring Garden Lane, creating disturbance and assaulting a lunkong were investigated at the Central Magistracy, by Mr. J. R. Wood, this morning, Private William Day, of the Surrey, being the defendant.

Evidence was adduced that, with three comrades from the same regiment, Day broke into the shop and scattered the contents of a cigarette store which was also included in the tailor's establishment. They also damaged an electric bulb before running out of the shop to avoid arrest. It was alleged that Day struck a lunkong in the face when the latter moved forward to arrest him, and that an attempt was made by his comrades to rescue Day from the custody of an Indian constable, but that this was abandoned on the arrival of other officers.

His Worship said it was clear that Day was guilty on the charges of creating a disturbance and of damaging the electric bulb. Defendant would be fined \$5 and required to pay fifty cents in addition as compensation. As regards the charge of assault on the lunkong, His Worship proposed to adjourn further hearing of this.

Defendant had stated that the abrasions discovered on his hands were caused by his playing pitch ball, and that he would bring two soldiers to testify to this.

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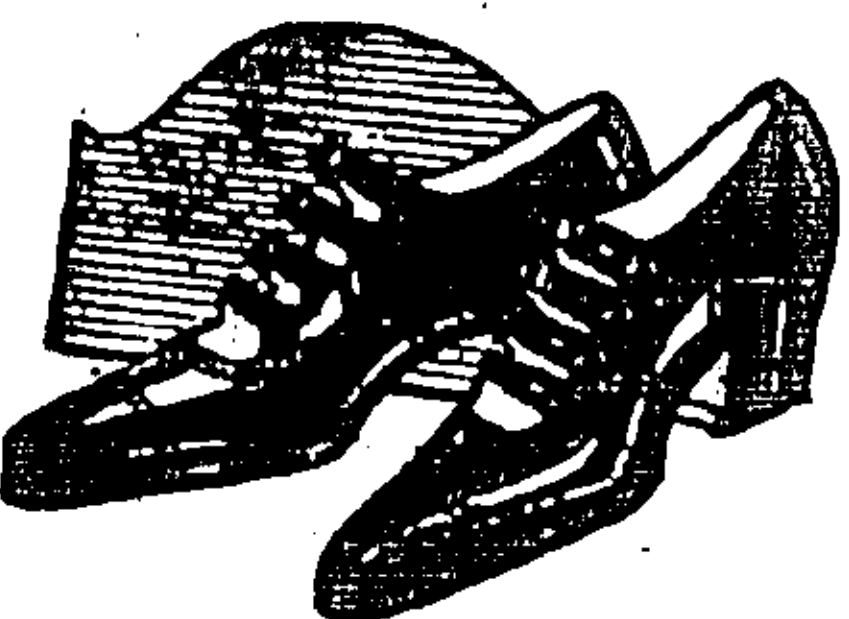
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**LIQUIDATION
PROCEEDINGS.**

The first meeting of creditors in the matter of the Chinese Merchants' Bank, Ltd. (in liquidation) was held at H. M. Supreme Court, Shanghai, last week, presided over by Mr. D. R. Cooke, Official Receiver.

There was a large number of creditors present, while Mr. H. D. Rodger watched the interests of others, numbering 1,165. Mr. R. Pater-on, C.A., of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, the provisional liquidator, was also in attendance.

The Official Receiver, describing the Bank's position, said:

The Position.

As you are doubtless aware, this is a British bank and is what is known as a Hongkong-China Co., meaning a company incorporated under the Hongkong Ordinance, part of whose business is carried on in China, but controlled in Hongkong.

The authorized capital, as shown by the last balance sheet dated June 30, 1924, was \$5,000,000, of which was issued \$1,220,100, less calls in arrears of \$102,100.

The balance sheet at June 30, 1923 showed a credit to profit and loss account of \$73,082.69, out of which a dividend was proposed, and I believe paid, of 6 per cent. absorbing \$61,621.44. Further depreciation was written off and a balance of \$8,139.02 carried forward.

Suspension of Payment.

The bank suspended payment in Hongkong on June 12, 1924, and in consequence of cables received, this branch, as well as others, did likewise. The Shanghai Branch suspending payment also on June 12, 1924.

A petition to wind up the company was immediately presented in Hongkong and another in Shanghai. In Hongkong Mr. John Fleming was appointed special manager and he and Mr. T. Martin subsequently were appointed liquidators. Mr. R. Pater-on was appointed provisional liquidator in Shanghai to collect the assets and to take charge of the company's property in China, which appointment covered the Shanghai and Canton Branches. He is still acting in Shanghai, but has been quite unable to obtain any control over the Canton branch. Mr. Pater-on appointed as his agent Mr. John Fleming of Hongkong, who found that the Canton office had been closed by the military. Subsequently a special manager was appointed, who stated that his authority was the Municipality of Canton. A formal request in writing has been made to the Chinese authorities, asking that the assets in Canton be handed over, without result.

The British and Chinese authorities in Canton do not recognize this bank as a British company and consequently the provisional liquidator has been quite unable to obtain any control over the branch there and the situation is therefore still obscure.

Assets to be Pooled.

As regards the other branches, viz.—Saigon and New York, a French government official, Mr. Brizon, styled the provisional judicial liquidator, took charge in the former place. In New York a State official took charge, and it is reported by the liquidator in Hongkong that this official proposes to liquidate for the benefit of United States creditors, in accordance with those of the American banking laws applicable to this matter. The same with respect to Saigon. In both cases I understand local

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

DERELICT JUNK.

The Harbour Office publishes the following notice to mariners under date March 16.

The following report dated March 16 has been received from the master of s.s. Angkor.

The wrecking of a junk at 2 p.m. on March 14. The derelict is a danger to navigation in Latitude 23.47 N., Longitude 118.13 E.

creditors will be satisfied in full, but if the court and liquidators in Hongkong could possibly do so, assets at head office and branches would be pooled for the benefit of all creditors wherever situated.

Proceedings in connection with pooling by Saigon and New York are matters falling within the scope of the Court and liquidators at Hongkong and must be dealt with there. As far as I am aware, the matter is not yet definitely settled.

It is intended that Shanghai and Hongkong shall pool their proceeds so that creditors within both jurisdictions shall stand on an equal footing.

Estimated Deficiency.

From a perusal of the bank's ledger balances in Hongkong last July, there was an estimated deficiency of \$450,000 and I am informed that, from the Hongkong statement of affairs, it would seem that creditors there may expect to receive approximately 20 per cent., but this figure must be treated with reserve.

From the statement of affairs of the Shanghai branch, which has not yet been signed by any responsible director or officer, it would appear that the local creditors might expect a dividend of approximately 60 per cent., but this also must be treated with reserve, as the book debts are a most uncertain quantity.

Cause of the Deficiency.

The principal cause of the deficiency in Shanghai is stated to be due to losses on exchange contracts from June, 1923, to June 1924, and especially from September to December, 1923, and it is claimed that even these were largely incurred on behalf of Hongkong and New York.

The bank held a long position in sterling and gold dollars, expecting gold to appreciate in the Autumn. However, gold depreciated, said to be owing to the earthquake in Japan, and sterling bought at low rates had to be sold at high rates, e.g., purchase at 3½ had to be sold at 3¼ and gold dollars bought at 70 had to be sold at 72. Losses on exchange contracts are shown as \$1,378,592. It is claimed for this branch that a large portion of this is due to purchases on behalf of Hongkong and New York, which were subsequently cancelled and had to be sold at a loss.

Bad debts have caused a loss of over \$30,000, but another amount of \$100,000 is obviously bad or doubtful. The banking business in Shanghai appears to have been carried on at a considerable loss.

We shall probably be in possession of information in the near future as to the progress of the liquidation in Hongkong. At present I can give no further information respecting that.

On the proposition of Mr. J. Euse, seconded by Mr. Lau In-er, Mr. Pater-on was appointed permanent liquidator.

Mr. Yue Hung-tah proposed and Mr. Rodger seconded the appointment of the following as a committee of inspection: Messrs. Lau In-er, Fong Hong, Yue Hung-tah, W. Chen and S. C. Young. This resolution was carried unanimously.

THE LATE DR. SUN.

MOURNING IN CANTON.

The Chinese Warships in Canton, fired 21 minute guns at 11 a.m. yesterday in mourning for Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

At a meeting of the Revolutionary Memorial Society held on Saturday last, it was resolved that the Civil Governor be requested to order.

1. That the public park formerly provided by the Municipality on the Kung Yam Hill be named as Chung san (Sun Yat-sen) Public Park.

2. A Statue and a memorial pavilion be erected on the Kung Yam Hill to commemorate the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

3. A sum of \$100,000 be appropriated by the Government for the erection of the Memorials according to the plans and specifications of the Municipality.

Public Subscriptions will be raised after the plan of the Public Park has been definitely settled.

**RUBBER RESTRICTION
BILL.**

SECOND READING PASSED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, March 17.
The Legislative Council has passed the second reading of the Rubber Restriction Bill after lengthy discussion. The Bill has been referred to a select committee consisting of the Attorney General and Messrs. Campbell, Everitt and Tan Cheng-lock.



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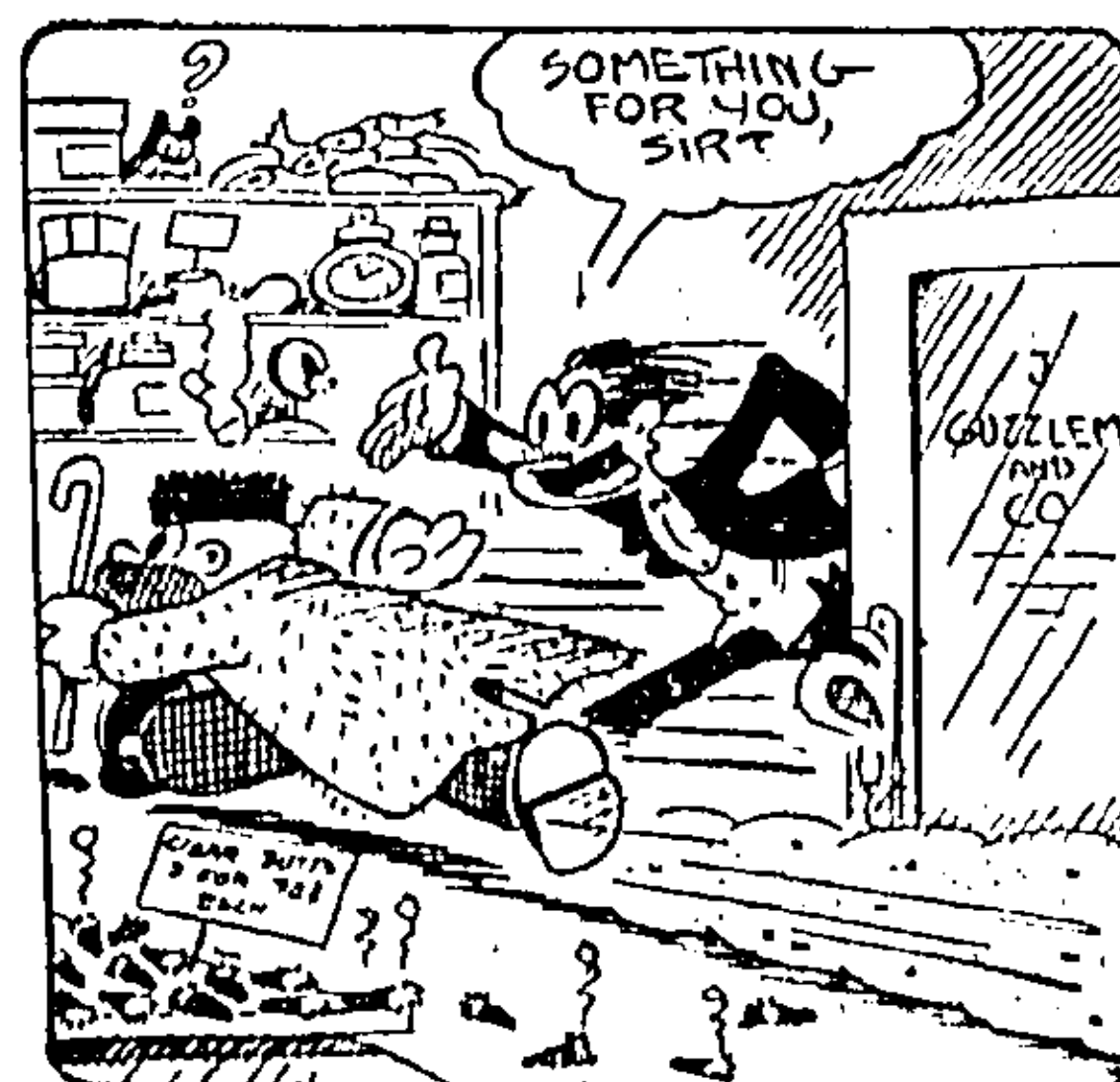
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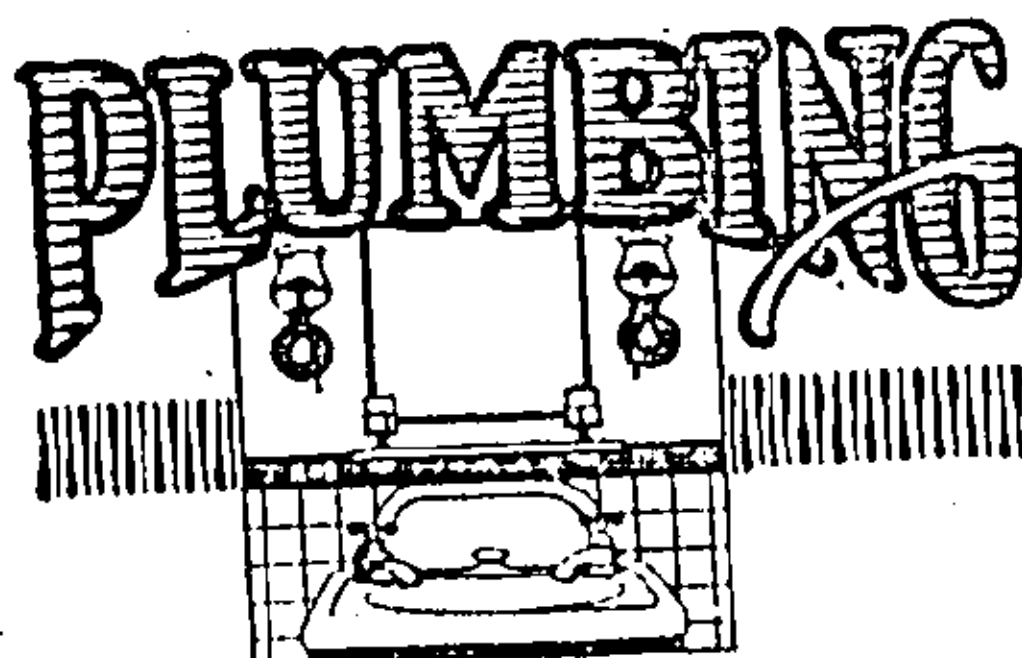
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COMPANY REPORT.

HONGKONG FIRES.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the fifty-sixth ordinary meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., to be held at the offices of the Company on Friday, 27th March, at noon, is as follows:

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the Fifty-sixth Annual Report of the Company.

Working Account 1923.—This Account shows a surplus of \$503,721.80.

Reinsurance Fund.—It is proposed to appropriate £25,867.16.8, at exchange 2/3¼=\$223,721.80, out of the profits of the year 1923 to the credit of this Fund. The Fund will then stand at £208,611.4.8.

Dividend.—The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in recommending a dividend of \$35 per share absorbing \$280,000.00.

Working Account 1924.—The balance at credit of this Account is \$513,777.07.

Consulting Committee.—The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

BANK THEFT.

SOCIETY DE GERANCE CASE.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon the case in which a clerk in the comptroller department of the Societa Francaise de Gerance is charged with larceny of \$6,000 Straits Settlements currency, was continued.

Mr. M. H. Turner presented and Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the defence.

The first witness to be called at yesterday's hearing was Mr. T. van Schilfearde, of the Netherland India Commercial Bank of Singapore. He testified to having received five parcels which were sent by the complainants on January 22. They were wrapped as on other occasions in the ordinary way, but when opened one of the parcels was minus the memorandum of the amount of the notes contained in the package. That parcel contained nothing but waste paper. It was impossible for anyone to tamper with the parcels from the time that they were delivered by the postman till the time they were opened by witness.

In answer to Mr. Lo witness said that he thought the handwriting on all the parcels was that of the same person.

Mr. F. Roza, superintendent of registered mail at the General Post Office, deposed to having seen the parcels packed in the mail bag prior to being delivered to the steamer. Evidence was also given by clerks of the Post Office as to having handled the parcels on January 22. After further evidence the case was adjourned.

THE WEST FARALON.

DAMAGED PROPELLOR NECESSITATES DOCKING.

The str. West Faralon, operated by Messrs. Struthers & Barry, found it necessary to put into Shanghai a few days ago and go into dock for repairs to her propeller. She went into the International Dock and left for Hongkong and Singapore on Saturday. The vessel's propeller blades were damaged in heavy weather while she was plying her way between Japanese ports and Dairen and Tientsin. She was not bound for Shanghai at the time, but as it was feared that the shaft had also received injury she decided to put into that port for safety. As it happened, this fear was groundless. The vessel's cargo was transhipped to its destination by other company's vessels.

The West Faralon is a vessel of 11,000 tons' deadweight; her size was responsible for a certain amount of delay in docking her, as she had to unload about 5,000 tons of cargo before she could enter.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

REORGANISATION CONFERENCE.

Peking, March 16.—The Reorganisation Conference to-day decided to have a recess from the 17th inst. till the 31st inst. in order that certain members may deliberate on various outstanding problems, after which the Conference will again meet on April 4 for 20 days.

Later.—The Conference to-day also discussed the Government Memorandum suggesting that representatives of public bodies from the provinces should be recognised as members of the Conference.

The Conference did not oppose this, but declared that the Conference regulations could only be altered by the Government, and suggested that the Government should amend the rules accordingly.

It is understood that the Kuomintang formerly proposed this suggestion, but the Government then opposed it. Hence the Government's change of attitude is regarded as significant.

Hu and Liu.

The Military Council of the Chief Executive wired to Sun Yuch instructing him to continue his efforts to secure a compromise between Hu Ching-yi and Liu Chen-hua.—Daily Bulletin.

FOREIGNERS IN JAPAN.

ALIEN LAND LAW.

Tokyo, March 16.—The Alien Land Law passed the House of Peers without amendment in principle, and it now goes to the Lower House.—Daily Bulletin.

CHINA'S FINANCES.

THE NEW LOAN.

Peking, March 17.—A mandate issued at midnight gazetted regulations for the Fourteenth Year Loan, the terms of which are as wired on March 12.

The mandate states that the loan will be issued "with a view to meeting emergency administration expenses as well as the upkeep of Legations and Consulates abroad." Obligations respecting the third, fourth and fifth year bonds and the October, 1924, Treasury Note issue must be fully met before the German portion of the Boxer indemnity is usable as security for the new loan. The notation is under the Domestic Bond Bureau.—Reuter.

HOCKEY.

CLUB TEAMS.

The following teams will represent the Club this week on dates and times as follow:—

To-day at U. S. R. C. at 5.15 p.m.—P. W. F. Mills, A. P. T. Farquharson, C. L. R. Becher, L. P. Ralph, Rev. E. W. L. Martin, A. A. Dand, G. R. Lammett, G. R. More, W. Woodward (Capt.), G. J. Jones, G. R. Vallack.

On Friday at U. S. R. C. at 5.20 p.m.—E. W. Hamilton, A. P. T. Farquharson, C. L. R. Becher, A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), A. A. Dand, G. R. Lammett, G. R. More, W. Woodward, B. D. Evans, G. R. Vallack.

Club v. East Surrey. The undermentioned will represent the Club in a match against the East Surrey Regiment at Happy Valley at 5 p.m. to-day.—Sherman, Burn, Remington, Evans, Drake, Lammett, Menceck, Lyon, Price, Edmunds (Capt.), Wedlake.



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DOUGLAS LARSAK & CO. General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th March 1925.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fortieth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 21st. March 1925, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. October 1924.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 16th day of March to MONDAY, the 23rd. day of March 1925, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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(Signed) CHAU YUE TENG.

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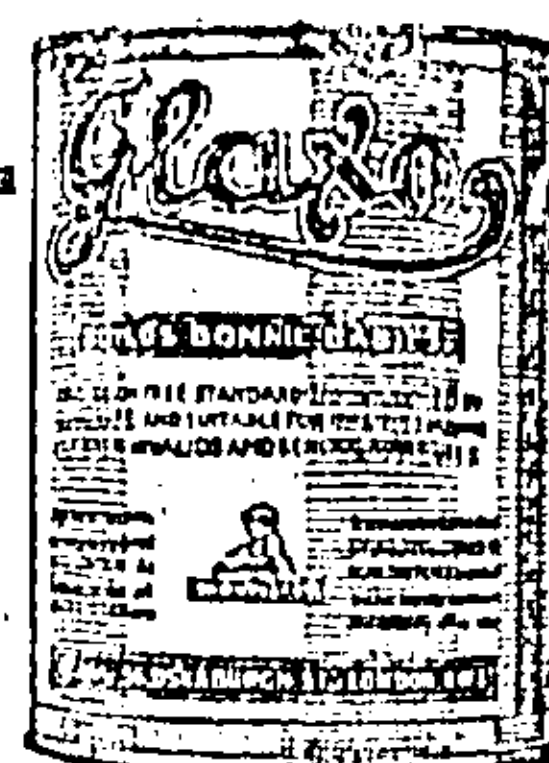
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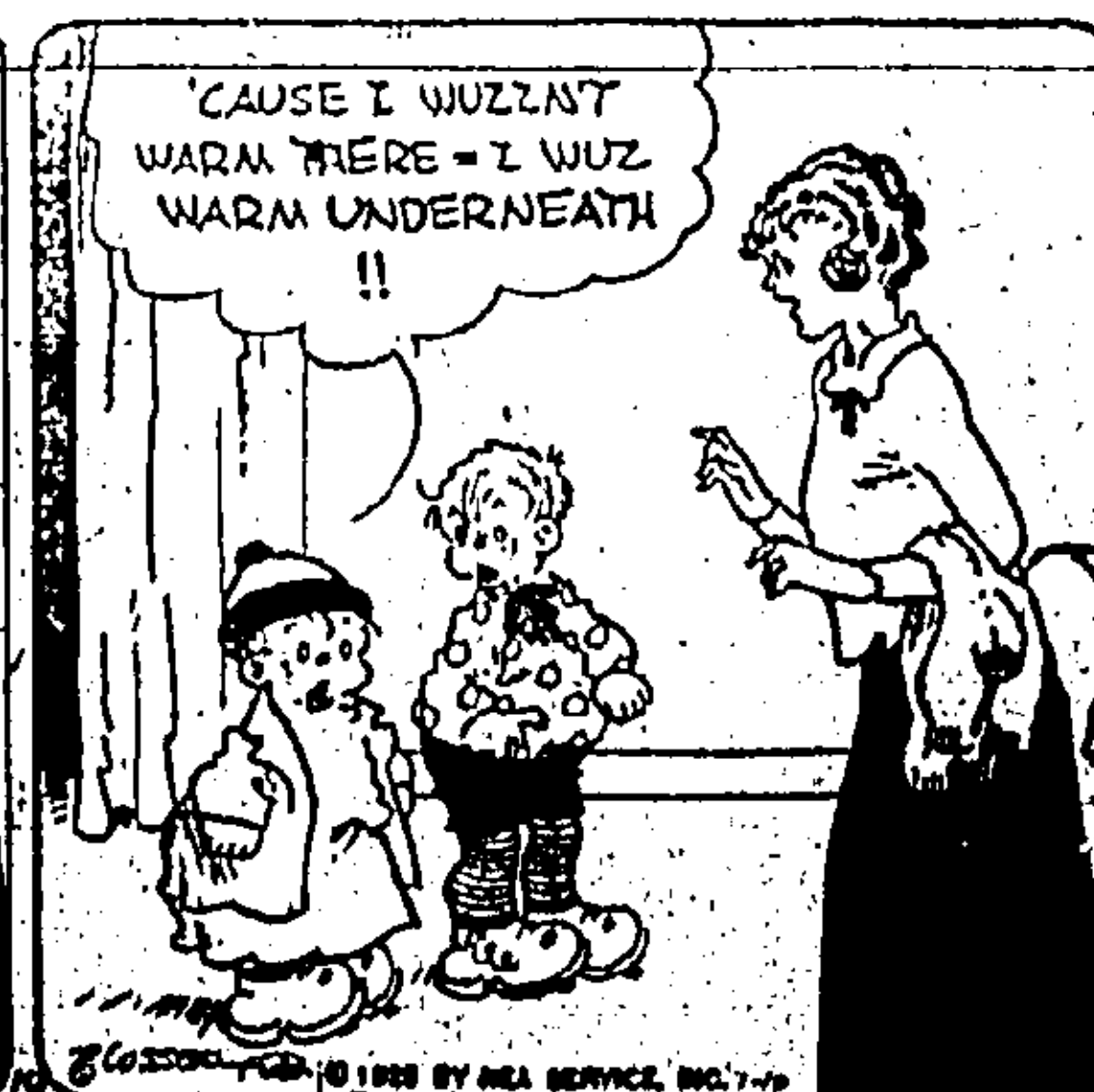
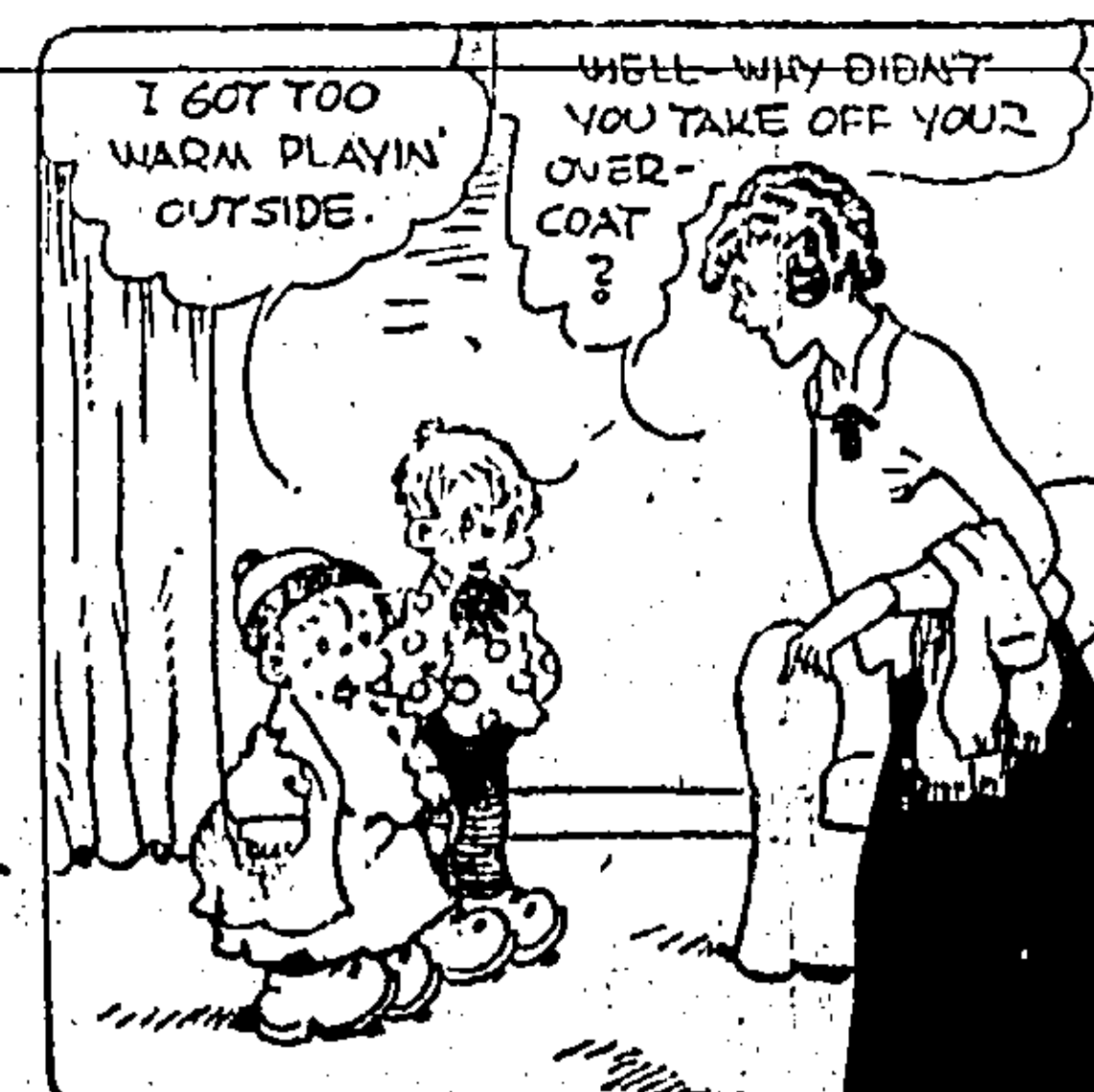
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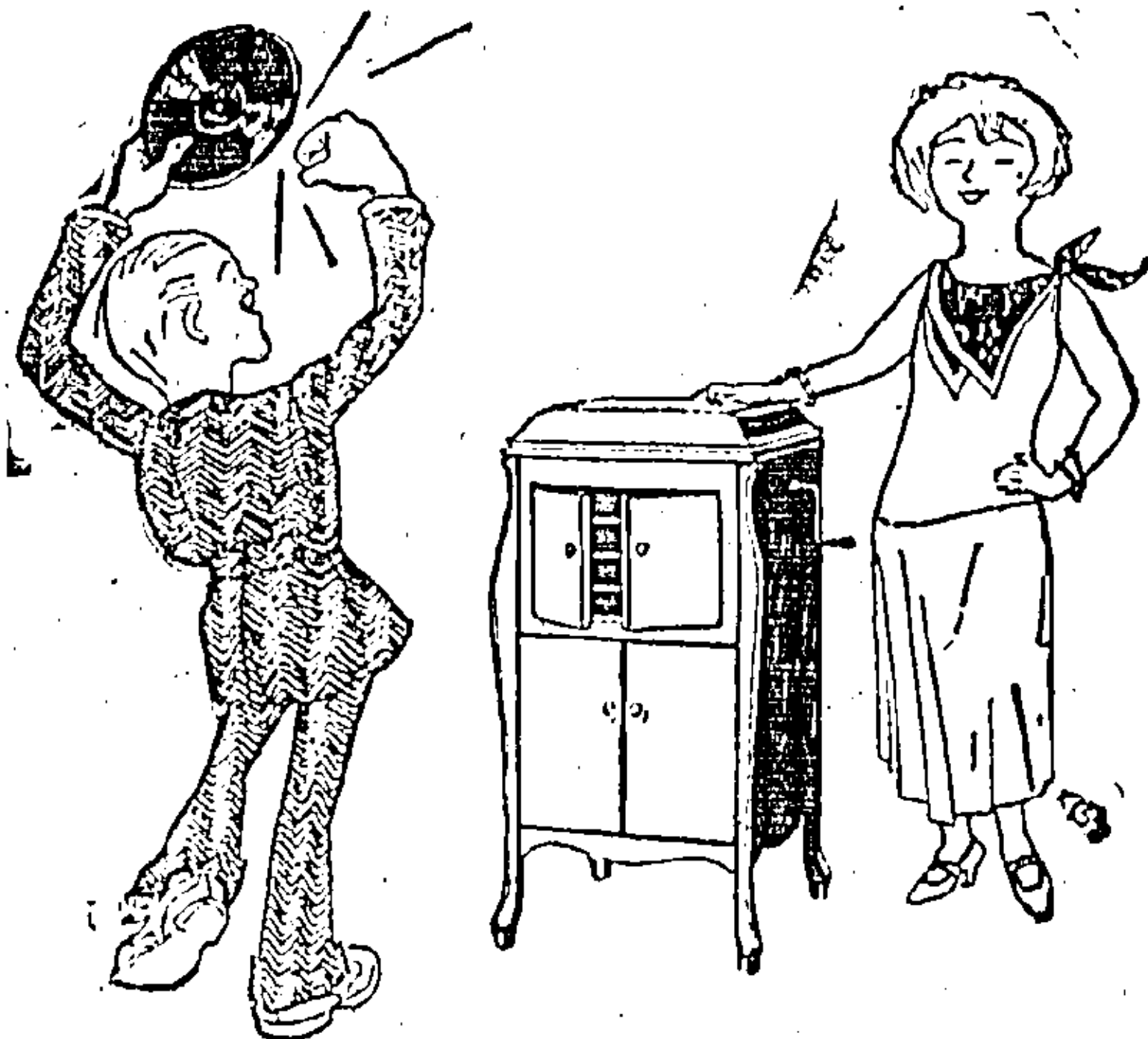
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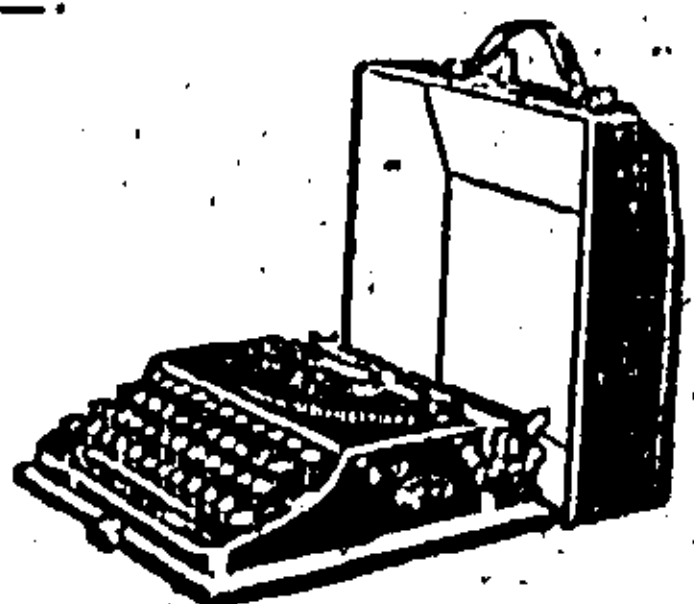
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DEATH.

PEREIRA.—At her residence
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17th. March, Mrs. Mathilde
Maria Pereira, aged 79 years.
Funeral will pass the monument
at 5.30 p.m. to-day (Wednesday).

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 18th Mar., 1925.

LOCAL RADIO.

It would appear from a reading
of the sections of the Chamber of
Commerce annual report which
deal with wireless telegraphy
that every effort is being made at
present to bring this Colony
thoroughly up-to-date in the
matter of radio communication
facilities. Since the arrival here
of Mr. L. H. King, the Gov-
ernment's wireless expert, a
tremendous amount of excellent
work has been done in improving
existing facilities, and there is
promise of even more being ac-
complished in the future. Things
are apparently not to be allowed
to develop on haphazard lines;
there is clear evidence of an
intention to co-ordinate the
Colony's services so as to secure
the best possible results both
from the shipping and com-
mercial points of view.

The Cape D'Aguiar Station
has during the past year been
freely used for the handling of
interport commercial messages,
with the result that its utility in
ship-to-shore service has been
considerably impaired. Now,
however, a new station is to be
erected which will take over the
commercial work, whilst in the
meantime these messages are
being handled by an emergency
set at the Observatory. When
the new station is in being, there
will be a distinct improvement
on present-day facilities, but we
still adhere to the view that it
would be foolish to burden this
station with broadcasting either
news or programmes of the enter-
tainment type. Such work is far
better left to private enterprise,
and if satisfactory arrangements
were made along these lines we
have no doubt that the Colony
would appreciate the service,
whilst at the same time a
considerable trade would be
opened up in radio equipment.
We are glad to see that both the
Chamber and the Government
fully appreciate the necessity
of provision being made for long-
distance communication between
this Colony and other parts of

the world. This question bristles
with difficulties, but they can
and should be overcome, and we
think it high time something
definite were known as to how
Hongkong is likely to stand in
relation to Imperial schemes
now under consideration.

Let us close these few com-
ments with a word of appreci-
ation regarding the new format
in which the Chamber's annual
report appears. It is extremely
well assembled and the matter
so arranged as to make a really
most readable volume, as dis-
tinct from a bulky collection of
dull and uninteresting corres-
pondence. More than a mere
record of the Chamber's
activities, it becomes an inval-
uable commercial guide, giving to
all interested in the Colony and
its trade, no matter where they
live, a great deal of information
which they would otherwise not
possess. Such a publication is a
real advertisement for the
Colony, and marks a distinct
step forward in imparting to the
outside world facts and figures
reflecting what the port of Hong-
kong stands for in the commerce
of the Far East.

Another Long Flight.

Hongkong seems destined to
form a point on the route of all
the big world flights, and the news
we gave yesterday of another
venture of this nature, with an
Italian aviator as the hero, will
have caused little stir locally. It
is interesting to observe that this
could not be said only a year ago,
when the arrival of the Americans
was awaited with the keenest
interest. The Italian flight is to
be on a fairly ambitious scale,
and is to follow a new route, with
Manila as a "port of call" for the
first time. The choice of Australia
as the destination recalls the great
achievement of the late Sir Ross
Smith at the end of 1919, when
such a long distance effort was
practically unique. Even then,
Sir Ross Smith had previously to
go very carefully over most of his
route in order to ensure eventual
success. This will be the second
time that an Italian airman will
have an opportunity of distin-
guishing himself, the last occasion
being the attempt by Major
Lombardi to circumnavigate the
globe, which turned out an
unfortunate failure. It will
be remembered that he had to
drop out of the flight
after accompanying the Amer-
ican flying-men for a part
of their journey from Europe to the
United States. For this fresh
aspirant to flying laurels we wish
the best of good luck—and luck
is still an important factor in
aviation—and a successful com-
pletion of his adventurous
project, which offers possibilities
of achieving new records as to
speed, though the feat of Captain
Daisy in so quickly linking
Europe with the Far East will
take a lot of beating.

The Oil Age.

Just as the use of coal super-
seded primitive wood fuel in big
industries, so oil is taking the
place of coal in many directions.
As the years go by, and coal
supplies become scarcer and the
mining of the mineral more
difficult and costly, the triumph
of oil fuel will be paramount. In
two very important directions oil
supplies have become essential to
the life of the big nations—for
their mercantile marines and
naval vessels, and for motor trac-
tion both in peace and in war.
The absence of oil deposits in
territory adjacent to the head-
quarters of the leading Powers,
has forced them to form
combinations of an international
nature, and it is pleasing to note
that the tendency now is for a
share and share alike policy rather
than the keen rivalry which threat-
ened a few years ago to lead to
extreme bitterness. The latest
agreement in the Iraq, is a case
in point, where a satisfactory
settlement has been reached over
claims that have led to Britain
being accused in the past of
exercising mandatory powers
with a dual purpose. But just as
coal supplies are limited, so are
the oil strata likely to "pet out"
in the course of time, and unless
the ingenuity of man can discover
an adequate and plentiful substi-
tute, there might in the remote
future come a period when the
scramble for oil will be renewed
with disastrous consequences to
the peace of the world.

DAY BY DAY.

GOD NEVER IMPOSES DUTY
WITHOUT GIVING THE TIME TO
DO IT.—Ruskin.

Yesterday's health return
shows one Chinese case each of
small-pox and typhoid.

The Hongkong Volunteer De-
fence Corps Rifle Meeting is to
be held at the Kowloon "A"
Range on 11th, 12th and 13th
April.

We are asked to draw attention
to the fact that the Empress of
Canada is sailing at noon on
Saturday instead of Friday as
originally scheduled.

There will be a Lecture on
"Submarines" given by an officer
from the "Titanic," at the
"Children's Hour" on Friday,
March 20th at 5 p.m.—Adv.

After a very long period,
through railway traffic between
Kowloon and Canton has been
resumed, one train running each
way. Passengers are at present
being transferred at Samohun.

During the absence of the Rev.
J. Kirk Macdonald, from April
3rd to November 30th the duties
of Officiating Clergyman to the
Presbyterian troops will be per-
formed by the Rev. J. H.
Johnston, B.A.

An earth-coolie, who was
arrested at the Samshui Ferry
Wharf with six tools of opium in
one of his baskets, appeared before
Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the
Kowloon Magistracy this morn-
ing, and was fined \$720, or six
months' hard labour.

SHARE MARKET.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. have
kindly supplied us with the
following cable quotations of
Shanghai stocks from their
Shanghai office:—

Langkats (comb.)—Tls. 25,
buyers.
Ewos.—Tls. 12, ex div., buyers.
Shanghai Docks.—Tls. 124,
ex div., buyers.
New Engineerings.—Tls. 9.25,
buyers.
Orientals.—Tls. 3.75, buyers.
Shanghai Cotton.—Tls. 59,
buyers.

SHIPPING NEWS.

LOCAL WATERFRONT ITEMS.

The monsoon is more moderate
again out at sea, with mist, rain
or fog prevailing.

The Canadian Pacific liner
Empress of Canada, Captain S.
Robinson, arrived yesterday
morning from Manila, and had
fresh monsoon with partly rainy
weather coming up to this port.
She departs on Saturday.

The Hydrangea, Captain E.
Brewer, arrived this morning
from Swatow, and had a moderate
N. E. breeze with clear weather
coming down the coast, but
heavy fog from the Ninopins and
into port. Another couple of
Russian officers came down with
the Hydrangea, and had to
proceed to Canton immediately.

The Hamburg American liner
Oldenburg, Captain K. Gradolph,
arrived yesterday from Singapore
and had rough weather all the
way up. She had an unusually
large number of German and
other passengers bound for
Shanghai.

The Fong Tong, Captain J. G.
Smith, from Saigon, arrived
yesterday and also had fresh
monsoon.

The coaster Hsin Chang, Cap-
tain J. Sundlo, arrived from
Shanghai yesterday and had a
light breeze with misty weather.

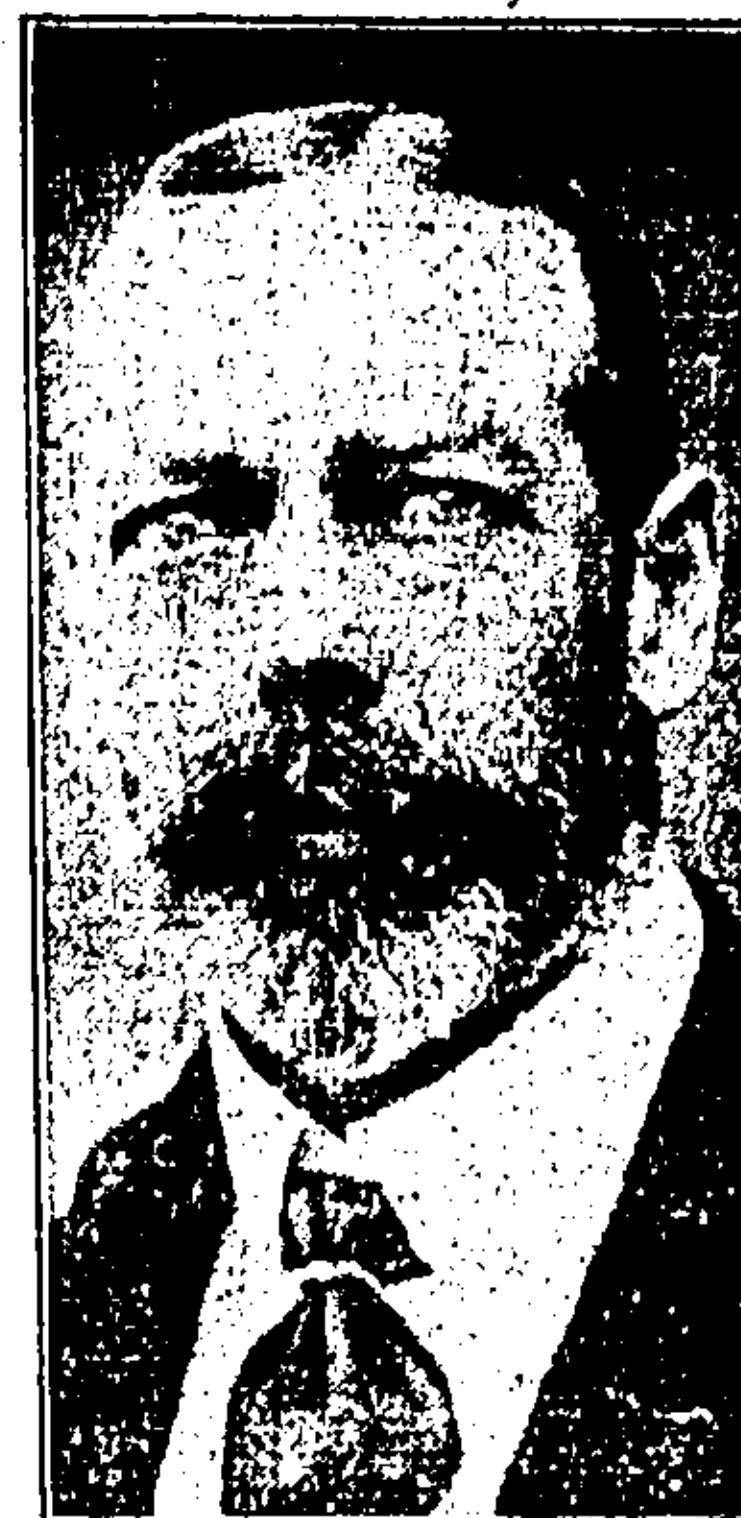
The Matti, Captain L. Marcos-
son, came in from Shanghai this
morning and had similar weather,
but more fog.

The steamer New Mathilda,
Captain E. S. Rapley, which for
the last month has gone through
extensive repairs at the Kowloon
dry-dock, left yesterday afternoon
with 300 Chinese deck passengers
for Samoa. Although she already
had a Hongkong passenger
licence, she had to obtain a
special "Deep Sea Licence" from
the Government before her pas-
sengers were allowed to embark
for that far-away port.

The departure of the new
coaster Hollos, Captain R.
Davidson, has now been re-
scheduled for to-day at noon.
She has obtained a certificate for
carrying 1,280 passengers.

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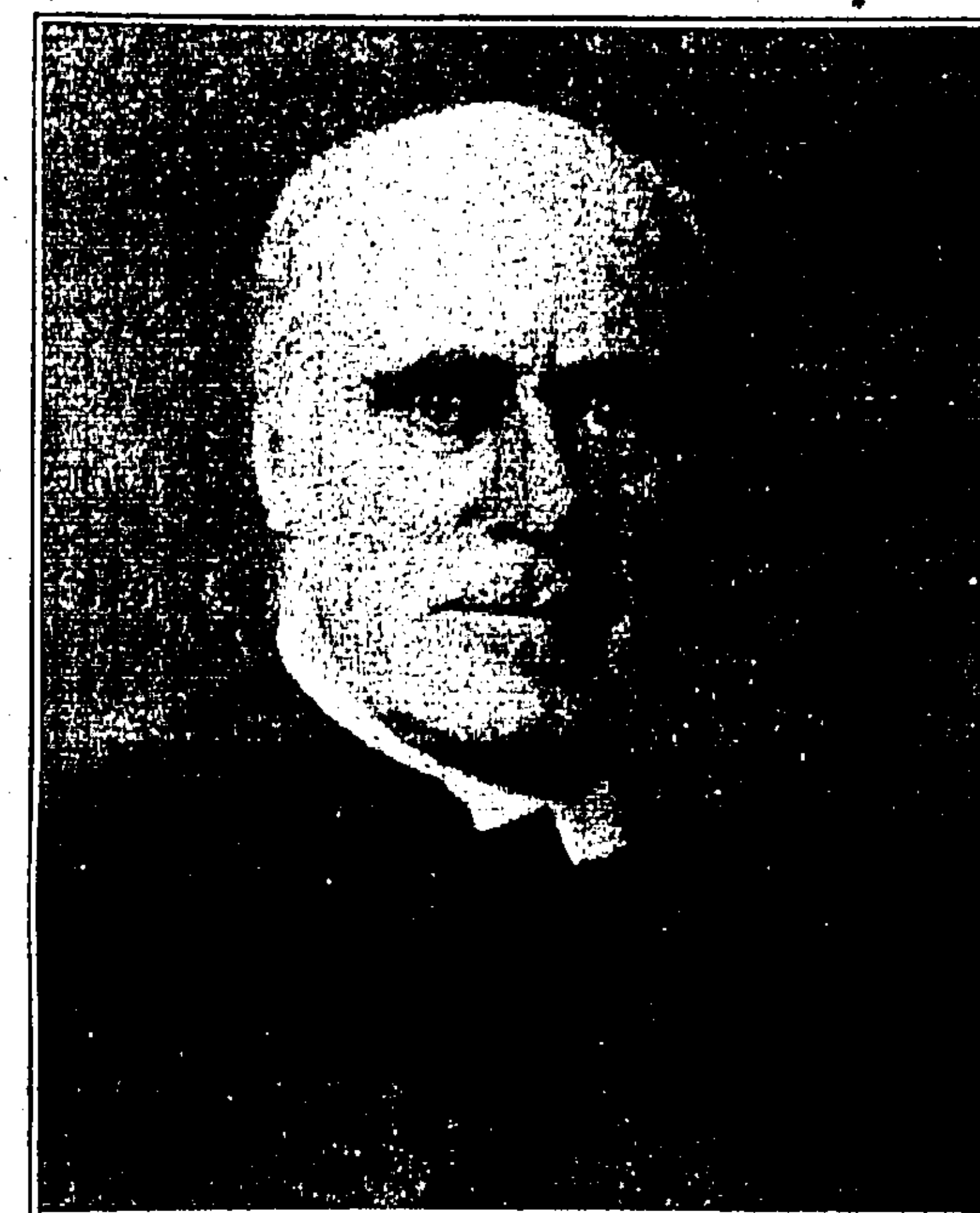
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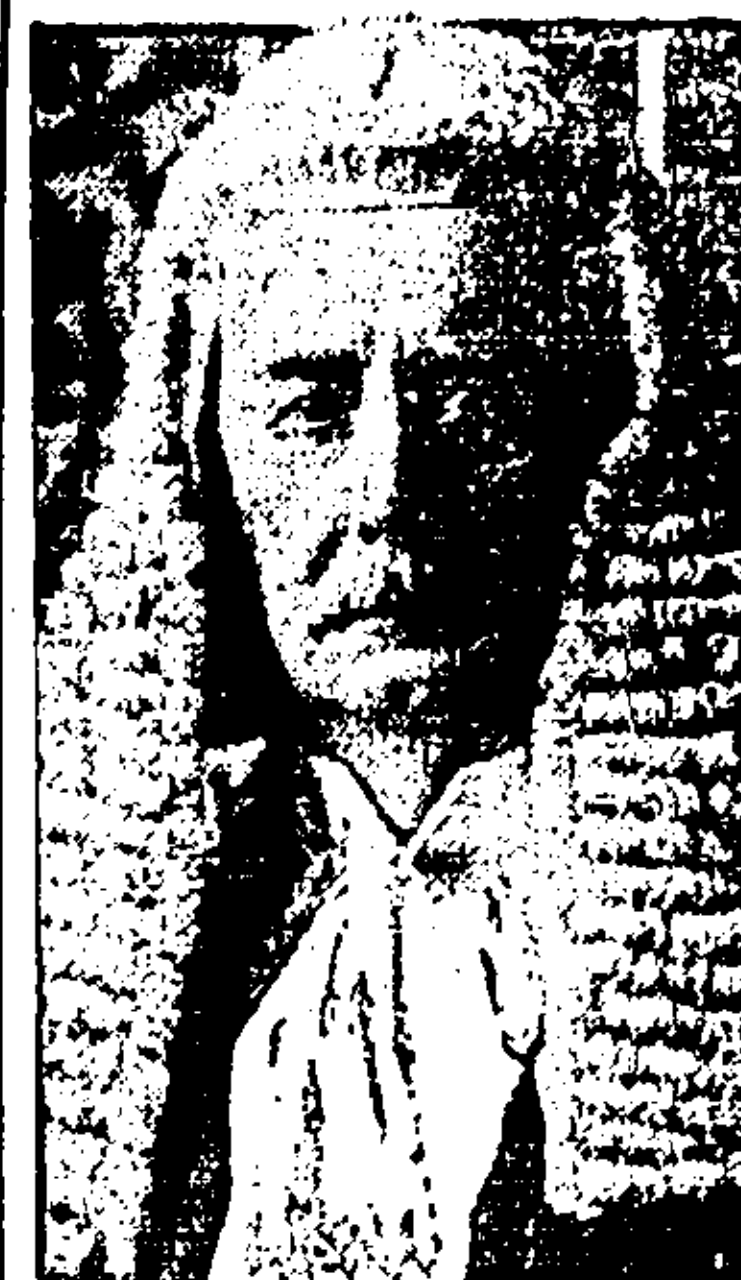
H. M. the King.



Prince Henry.



Archbishop of Canterbury.



Lord Cave.



Mr. Baldwin.

A Router telegram to-day reports that H. M. the King has
appointed Prince Henry, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Viscount
Cave (Lord Chancellor), and Mr. Baldwin (Premier) to act for His
Majesty during his absence from Britain on the health cruise he
is to take shortly.

JEW STOWAWAY.

SENT TO HOUSE OF DETENTION.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton sent to
the House of Detention, Saul
Bafchowsky, a native of
Palestine, who appeared at the
Kowloon Magistracy this morn-
ing on a charge of stowing away
on board the s.s. Angkor from
Shanghai to Hongkong.
The police said that enquiries
had been made regarding the
defendant's being sent to Port
Said, but they could only obtain

his passage as far as Singapore,
and the Jews there could pay for
the remainder of his journey.
This would not prove satisfactory
as the defendant would probably
not be permitted to land.

Mr. P. O. Foustier, who dis-
charged the duties of interpreter,
requested that the defendant be
committed to the House of De-
tention for two weeks, and he
would assist him to obtain his
passage to Palestine. Mr. Foustier
also asked that his fees as inter-
preter be given to the defendant.
Mr. Hamilton accordingly com-
mitted defendant to the House of
Detention for 14 days.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE DAVIS CUP DRAW.

Washington, March 17.
Gen. Dawes, in the presence of representatives of the competing nations, made the first-round draw for the Davis Cup, the pairings being as follows:

Holland vs. Czechoslovakia, Switzerland vs. Sweden, Belgium vs. India, Austria vs. Ireland, Hungary vs. France, Portugal vs. Italy, Rumania vs. Denmark and Poland vs. Britain.

If the American zone the draw is Japan vs. China, Australia vs. Hawaii, New Zealand vs. Canada, Cuba and Spain will play a preliminary match to decide which meets Mexico.—*Reuter's American Service.*

QUESTION OF HOTEL CONCESSIONS.

London, March 17.
A meeting of the Council of the Lawn Tennis Association has passed a resolution that any player accepting a reduction of more than forty per cent. in the ordinary charges made by hotels and similar establishments in connection with playing a game in any tournament, match or competition, will forfeit his amateur status, under rule twenty-seven.

An offer of such a reduction to a player in connection with any tournament will render the meeting liable to have the sanction of the Council withdrawn, and any offer of such a reduction refused.

Any reduction which does not exceed forty per cent. which is offered must be extended without distinction to all the players competing.—*Reuter.*

TROUBLE IN INDIA.

SARAJISTS REDUCE TAXATION.

Delhi, March 17.
During the discussion of the Finance Bill the Sarajists in the Assembly carried by 61 to 56 a motion reducing the salt tax to one anna per maund, despite Sir B. Bickel's warning that a loss of revenue would be involved and that the abandonment of relief to all provinces or certification of undugud tax.

Several Indian members opposed the reduction of the tax on petrol, two annas a gallon, on the ground that it would benefit the richman, but the reduction was voted by 50 to 38.

A Sarajist motion reducing the petrol rates was rejected by 58 to 52, for the Director General of Peshawar pointed out that a reduction would involve a heavy deficit.—*Reuter.*

HINDU-MOHAMMEDAN RIOT.

Delhi, March 17.
As a result of a fracas among supporters of rival candidates for the Delhi municipal election 18 Mohammedans and three Hindus were injured, and one Mohammedan subsequently succumbed.

The way to the cemetery lay through the Hindu quarter, where a fight again broke out, and 16 persons were injured, four seriously. Altogether 25 had to be sent to hospital.

The police are at present patrolling the city, and the situation is under control.—*Reuter.*

SINGAPORE DEFENCES.

NO DEFINITE DECISIONS.

London, March 17.
In the House of Commons, replying to Comdr. Kenworthy, Sir L. Worthington-Evans said the question of the defences required to protect the Singapore base was still being considered by the Committee of Imperial Defence.

It was impossible to make a statement at present with regard to the cost or the date of commencing work thereon.

The question whether the present defences were sufficient or must be increased would depend on the committee's report.

Brigadier General Brown asked, would the Government consider approaching Australia and New Zealand to help.

Sir L. Worthington-Evans said that did not arise out of the original question.—*Reuter.*

CHINA'S LOAN.

INTEREST ARRANGEMENTS.

Peking, Mar. 17.
The interest to be paid on the Fourteenth Year Loan will be by 19 instalments, after the first five of which amortisation will begin.

Interest and amortisation will be paid on March 31 and Sept. 30.

The amortisation drawings will be held in Peking.

The sum of \$3,000,000 will be needed for the first five interest instalments, and this will be handed over to the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications 15 days before the interest is due.

The denominations are \$10,000, \$1,000 and \$100, which can be utilised as cash in payment of taxes and duties, with the exception of customs and salt duties, and also as guarantee funds or reserve of banks.

The regulations will be carried into effect on the day of promulgation.—*Daily Bulletin.*

MALAYAN LABOUR.

MORE INFORMATION DESIRED.

London, March 17.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, replying to Mr. Cecil Wilson, said the fact that so large a proportion of the Straits Settlements Labour Department's annual report was devoted to details of Indian labour was no doubt due to the keen interest taken by the Government and people of India in the conditions of Indian labour abroad.

A copy of the question would be sent to the Governor in order that he should see that in future fuller information regarding Chinese and Malay labour would be welcomed.—*Reuter.*

FOREIGN SECRETARY RETURNS.

A SINGULAR ACCIDENT.

London, March 17.
Though in excellent spirits, Mr. Austen Chamberlain declined to be interviewed on his arrival at Victoria station.

Paris reports a singular accident, fortunately not attended by serious results, which befell Mr. Chamberlain while he was travelling to Calais from Paris. It appears a passenger in the express from Calais carelessly threw an object from a window as it passed the Chamberlain train, the object smashing the window of Mr. Chamberlain's compartment.—*Reuter.*

AIR ROUTE TO INDIA.

PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION.

London, March 17.
Maj. Gen. Sir Sifton Brancker and Mr. Cobham, who flew to India, have arrived at Croydon, thus completing an aerial tour of seventeen thousand miles to and from Burma, for the purpose of investigating the new air routes.

Their machine and its engine were unchanged throughout.

Sir Sifton Brancker, interviewed, expressed the opinion that the air route to India was commercially possible. It was only a matter now of time and money.—*Reuter.*

CAIRO ELECTIONS.

HOW THE ZAGHLULISTS STAND.

Cairo, March 17.
To-day's election of one Zaghlulist and four others brings the state of the parties to 102 and 109, respectively.—*Reuter.*

NEW AMBASSADOR.

MR. SCHURMAN'S PROMOTION.

New York, March 17.
Mr. Jacob Schurman has been appointed Ambassador to Berlin.—*Reuter.*

HOME FOOTBALL.

Moscow, March 17.
In the second division of the English "soccer" League, Oldham was beaten by Leicester, the latter scoring the only goal of the match.—*Reuter.*

THE BOOKSHELF.

TRUE STORIES OF THE SOUTH SEAS.

THE WORK OF LOUIS BECKE.

Tales of the more remote parts of the world have long held a fascination for the average reader, and even in these days of extended travel there is a big following for any writer who can spin yarns about interesting happenings in such places as the South Sea Islands, where romance is supposed to blossom in every grove, and not even man is held to be vile. But the South Seas of fiction and of reality are two very different places, and to some extent this is known to the modern reading public, so that it can be said that the subject has almost been done to death by writers of melodramatic tendencies.

However, there are books to be had which relate adventures in the South Pacific in really informative manner, for they are written by people who have lived there, and who tell of things which they know to be facts, and in seeking to portray the beautiful features of their experience they do not overlook the less inviting aspects that go to make up the essential background. Of such was Louis Becke, whose fame has grown even after his death, and whose work is likely to endure long after all the "thrillers" about waving palms, sighing surf and flower-bedecked heroines have been forgotten. Becke has an increasing circle of admirers, and it will come as very good news that his books are being republished in an attractive edition at a price making them available to the general public. The firm bringing out this collected edition are Messrs. T. Fisher Unwin, and the volumes are to be had at 5/- net. Well bound and printed, they form a series which should meet with a wide demand.

Messrs. Unwin send us a copy of "Yorke the Adventurer and Other Stories", which is a collection of Louis Becke's short tales. They are all fine yarns, telling the story of life in the South Seas as it really is, and as the author lived it. Becke was a keen observer of character, and a lover of nature, and he paints his people with a sure touch and his backgrounds with the realism of a master hand. The reader who is interested in natural history will find in Becke's work additional pleasure and profit, and to read of the delightful fishing adventures, in which the fishy subjects of his yarns are pictured accurately enough to please even the scientist, is to hope that some day one's lot might be cast, for a time, in similar surroundings and with similar opportunities. Then there are the bracing stories of sailing schooners, of pearl-shell trading, of endeavour and achievement—and the men, fine men some and bad men others, who lived their lives of adventure and added their chapter to the records of those regions. Becke writes mostly of the open air, of the open sea, and the simple existence; and in his way of telling the tale one senses the salt wind, the thunder of the breakers on the coral reef, or the mystic twilight of a tropic beach when the ship has come to haven and the toil and stress of voyage are left behind.

CHINESE SILK INDUSTRY.
The March issue of the *Chinese Economic Monthly* gives a very informative survey of the Chinese raw silk and silkworm industry. The producing provinces are dealt with in turn, and there are details given ranging from the types of cocoons to exhaustive statistics of filatures and agencies all over the country. We are told that the neighbouring province of Kwangtung leads in the quantity of its silk production, and it can look back to a date in the Ming dynasty for the origin of the industry.

Other articles in this monthly deal with tobacco production in Shantung, the Shanghai fish market (illustrated), and irrigation in Fukien (with accompanying sketch map).

V.H.C.J.

U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL.

A FRESH NOMINATION.

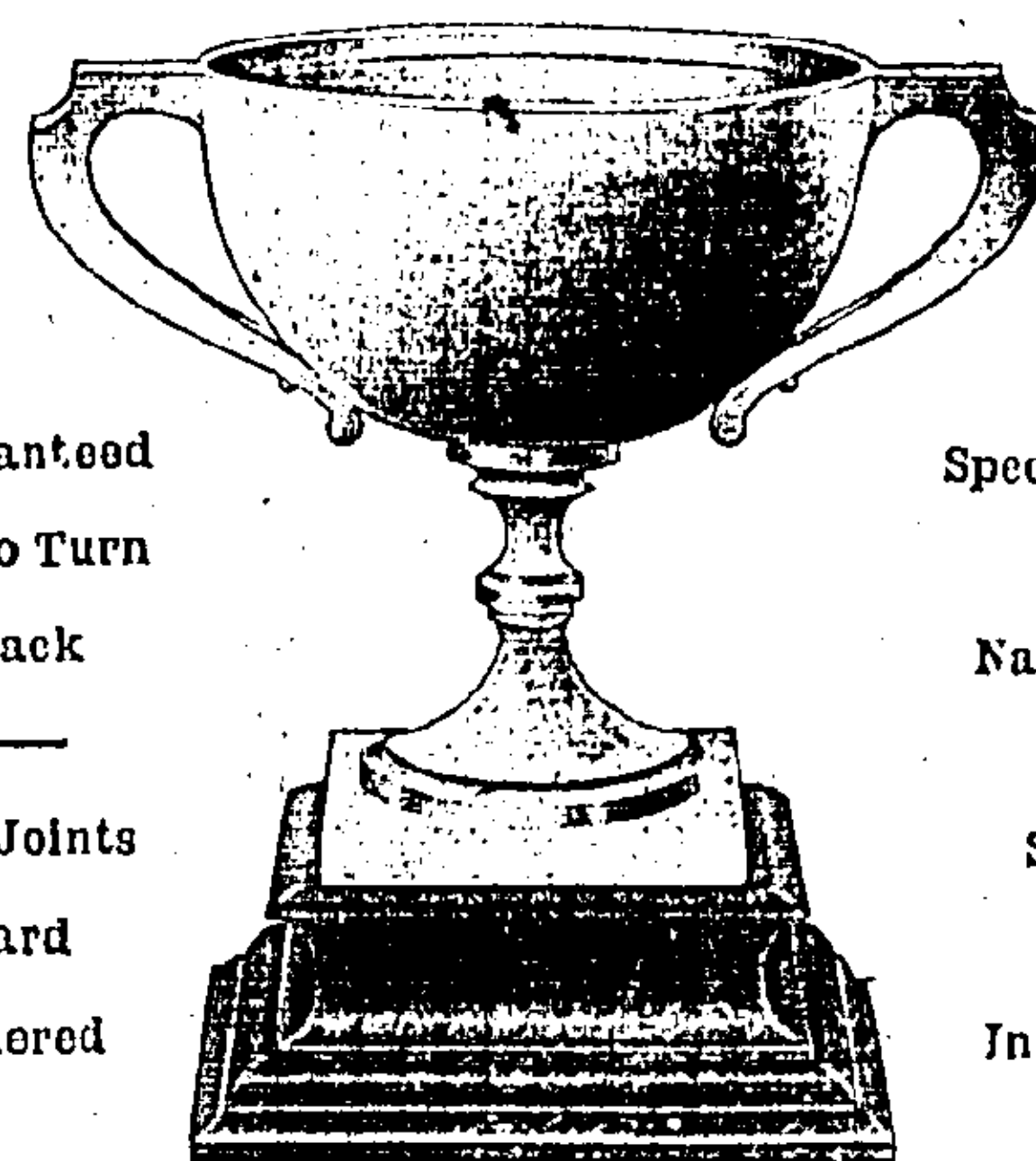
Washington, March 17.
Following Mr. Warren's refusal to accept the recess appointment, President Coolidge has nominated Mr. Amosn Caribald Sargent, former Vermont State Attorney, to be Attorney General. The Senate has confirmed Mr. Sargent's nomination.—*Reuter's American Service.*



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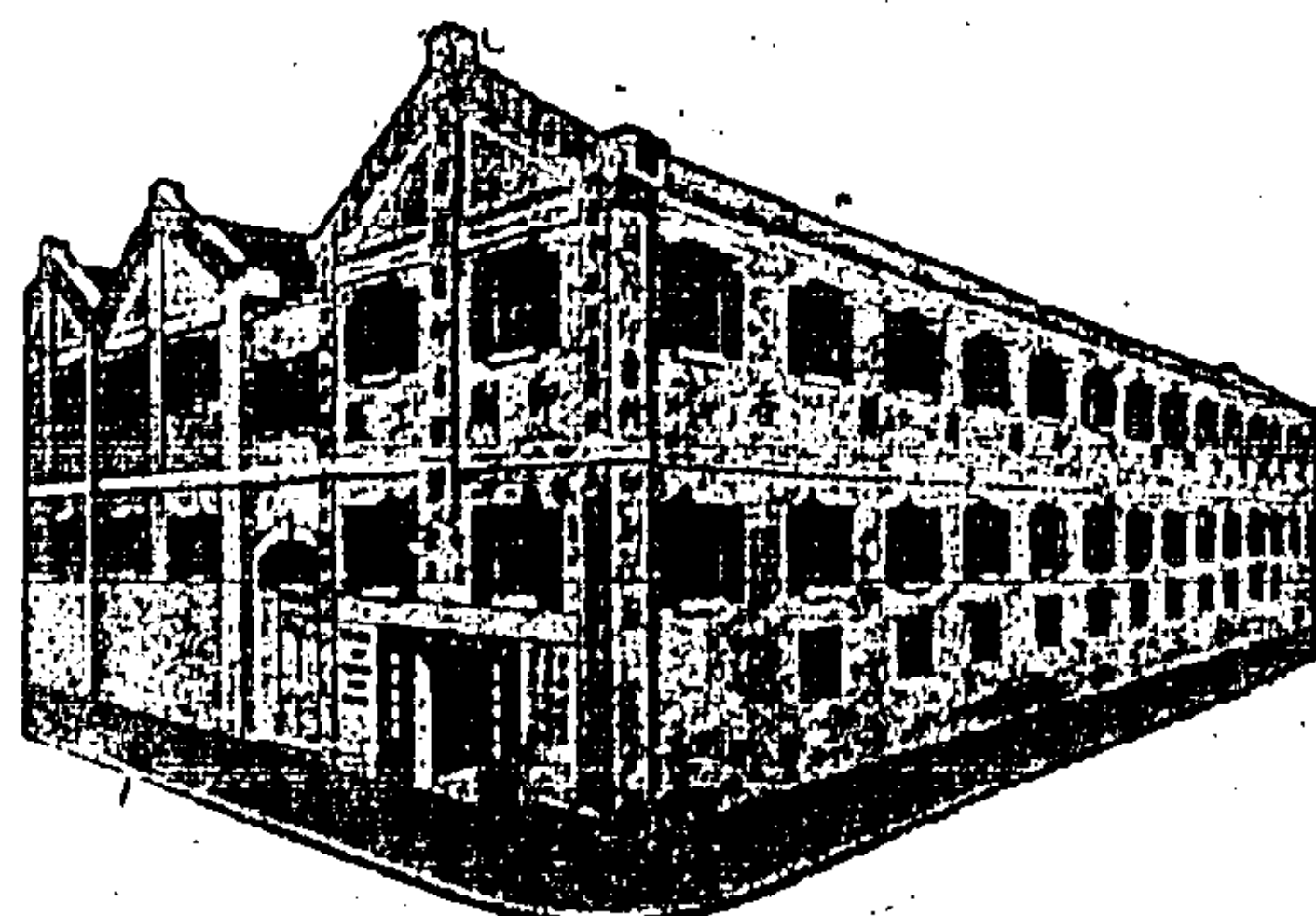
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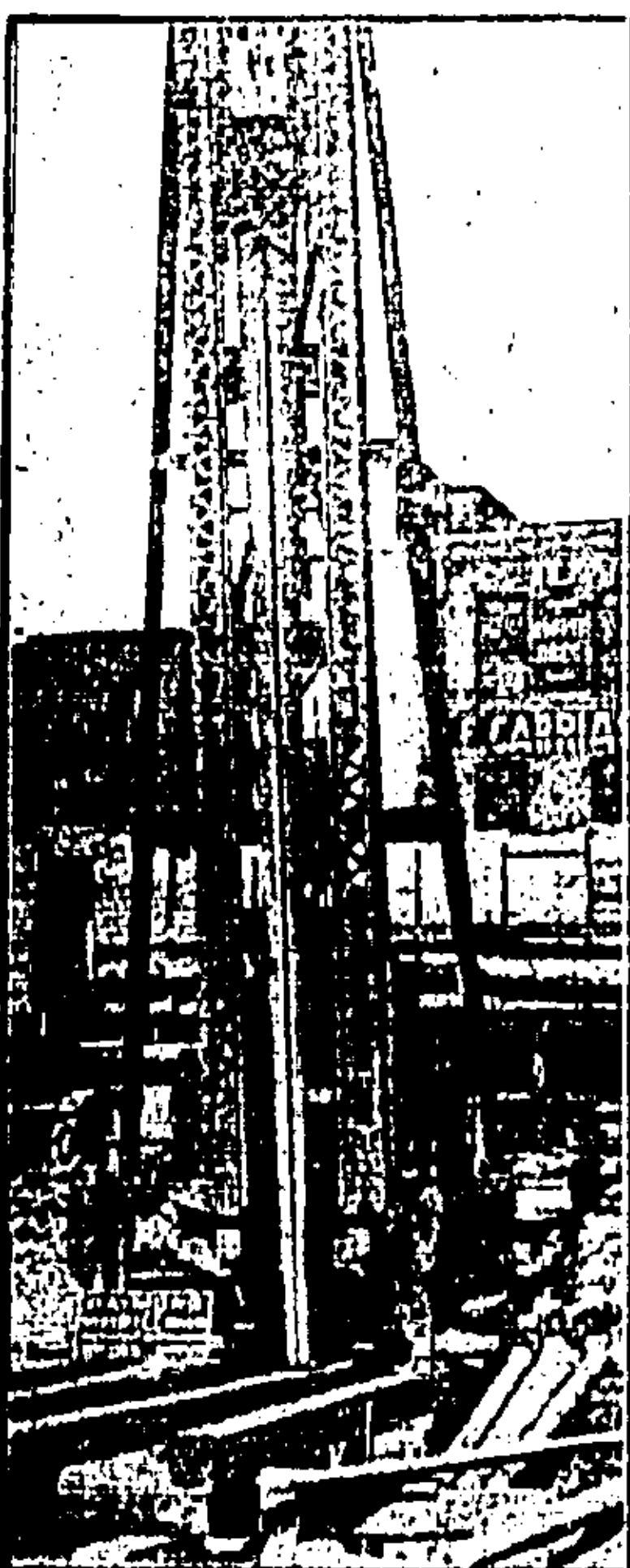
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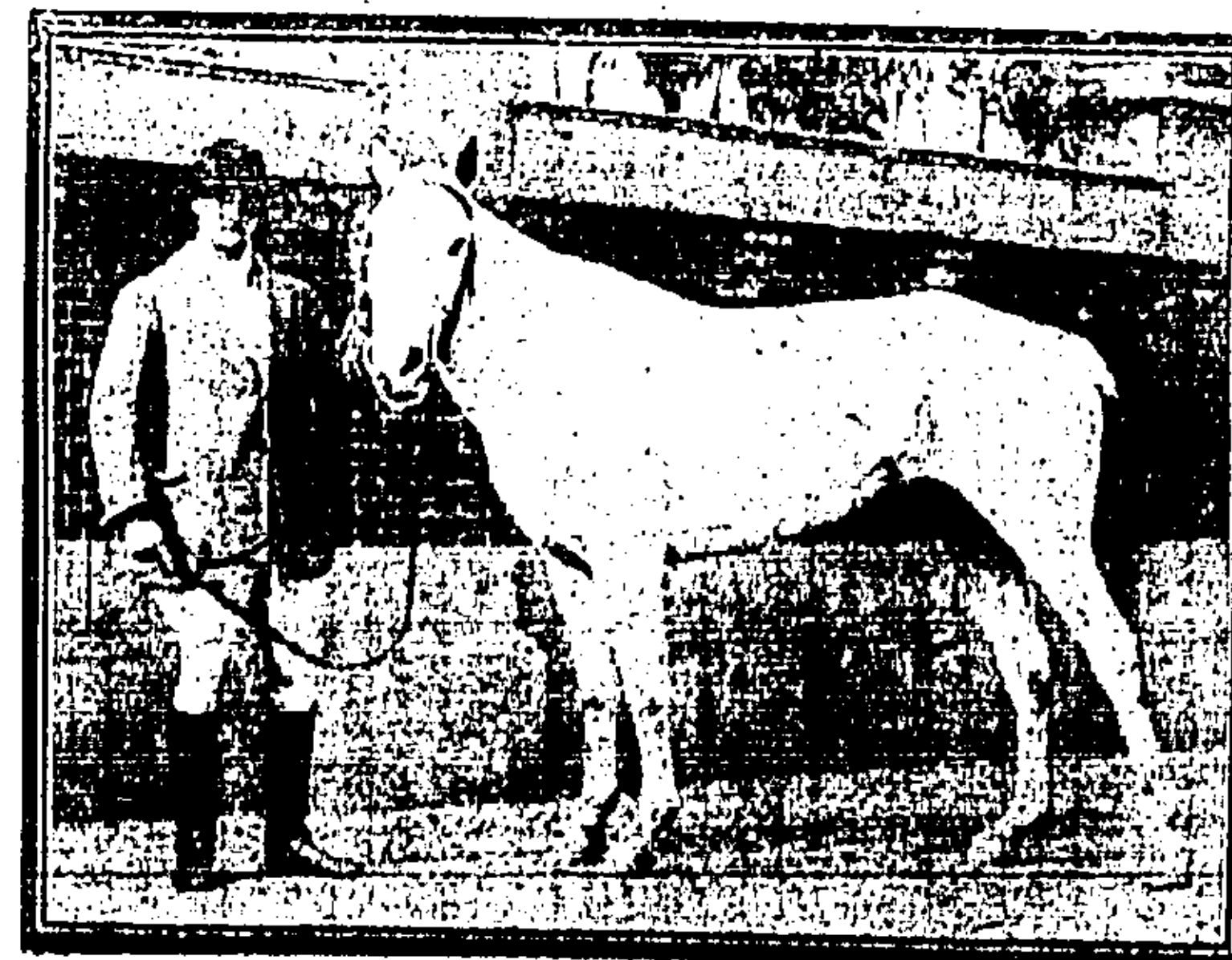
CAMERA NEWS



B'LONG ALL SAME DUCK'S BACK.—At first glance you
would think that this young gentleman had decided (doubtless from
observing his elders) that since heads are universally used to hand bats
on he might as well make his as useful as possible. But that would be
a wrong guess. As a matter of fact, it was raining when this photo-
graph was taken, wherefore our hero, who is by profession a baker's boy,
superimposed the cranial canopy upon his youthful dome as a guarantee
against soggy cakes, than which nothing is less palatable, or what is of
vastly more concern to him and his employer—less marketable.



SIR HARRY IN SHANGHAI.—During his stay in Shanghai Sir Harry Lauder found much
pleasure in the national game of his native land, and was a frequent visitor at the Shanghai Golf Club
course at Kiangwan. In a game with Herbert Langley as an opponent, he scored a 43 on the last nine
holes. Our photograph shows him on the second tee at Kiangwan.



WINNER OF CHALLENGE CUP.—The "big" race of the
day at the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club's annual race meeting was
won by Silver Spur, owned and ridden by Mr. J. K. Braod. Our
picture shows owner and pony just after the race.



WEDDING BELLS.—A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized
at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, with Dean Symons officiating,
when Mrs. Gwendoline Potts (better known as Miss Gwendoline Adler,
late of the Warwick Company), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin
Adler, of London, was married to Mr. Frederick Coombs, of the
General Electric Company, Shanghai. Here are the bride and bride-
groom with Mr. Norris, the best man.



SHANGHAI RACING.—Our photograph shows an interested group on the Grand Stand steps at
the day of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club's annual race meeting. Among those in the group are Messrs.
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Radio Notes & News.

Great Interest Aroused In Japan.

The success of radio in Japan seemed assured on a single day recently, when nearly 1,000 applications for receiving licenses were granted at the Tokyo Broadcasting Association offices during the first day that requests were received by the only company so far authorized to broadcast in Tokyo.

The Association has removed from old offices at No. 21 Mitsubishi Building, which were too small to accommodate their needs. The offices at the former Hochi Shimbun Building near Yuraku Station were thronged by persons desiring to obtain licenses to receive programmes which the company plans to start broadcasting March 1. Applications are being received daily with the exception of Sundays.

The majority of the applicants were those of wealthy families, an official at the bureau remarked. Prominent among the applicants were Prince Takamatsu, third son of the Emperor, Marquis Yamana, and Mr. K. Tokugawa, Prince Takamatsu is known as a radio enthusiast and is said to be quite expert.

A number of theatres and other places of amusement also sent in applications. Among them were the famous Kabuki Theatre, Shochiku Theatre and Hongo Theatre. The radio programmes are expected to be a popular part of the entertainment offered at these playhouses.

Before the Association's offices opened at 9 o'clock in the morning many applicants, eager to be first, had gathered. One Japanese, who was the first to arrive, came as early as 9 o'clock. He said that he planned a month ago to send in his application before anybody else, and he was glad that his application was the first to be received.

"A radio apparatus manufacturing firm brought in 500 applications at one time today," said an official of the bureau in an interview with a representative of the Japan Advertiser. "We hear that the Japan Wireless Company is going to send in more than 2,000 applications in a day or two."

"It seems to me," said the official, "that the majority of people still do not fully understand the radio regulations. Many inquiries were received today by callers. They seek information as to the best machines and desire to know where proper sets can be obtained."

"We expect more applications when the temporary radio station in Shibaura begins broadcasting March 1. The real value of radio will be better recognized when actual broadcasting is begun."

Trouble which might assume serious proportions have arisen the official said. It is in connection with the filament grid and plate used in ordinary receiving sets.

The General Electric Company of New York, an organization which the Nippon Denki Kaisha, represents here, obtained a patent for these radio parts in Japan a few years ago, but many Japanese manufacturers of receiving sets ignored the patent rights of the American concern and have been selling those parts at exceptionally cheap prices.

The representative in Japan of the General Electric Company threatened, it was reported, to bring suit against radio manufacturers in Japan. This, the official said, would be serious if a law suit is instituted, but he believes that a satisfactory settlement will be made between the American concern and Japanese manufacturers.

NOTABLE EXPERIMENT IN CHINA.

Peking Talks With America and Europe.

Peking: The Hsuangchiao Wireless Station, belonging to the Mitsui Company, carried out a 24-hour-long broadcasting experiment recently, between itself and the high-power American station of Bolinas, California, the Brentwood station in England, the Nauen in Germany and the St. Asaise in France.

According to the record of the experiment, just published, the trial with the Bolinas station was very successful, the automatic ink-writer at the American station clearly typing the message sent from the Hsuangchiao station. While the results were not quite so good in the case of the English and French stations, the latter were

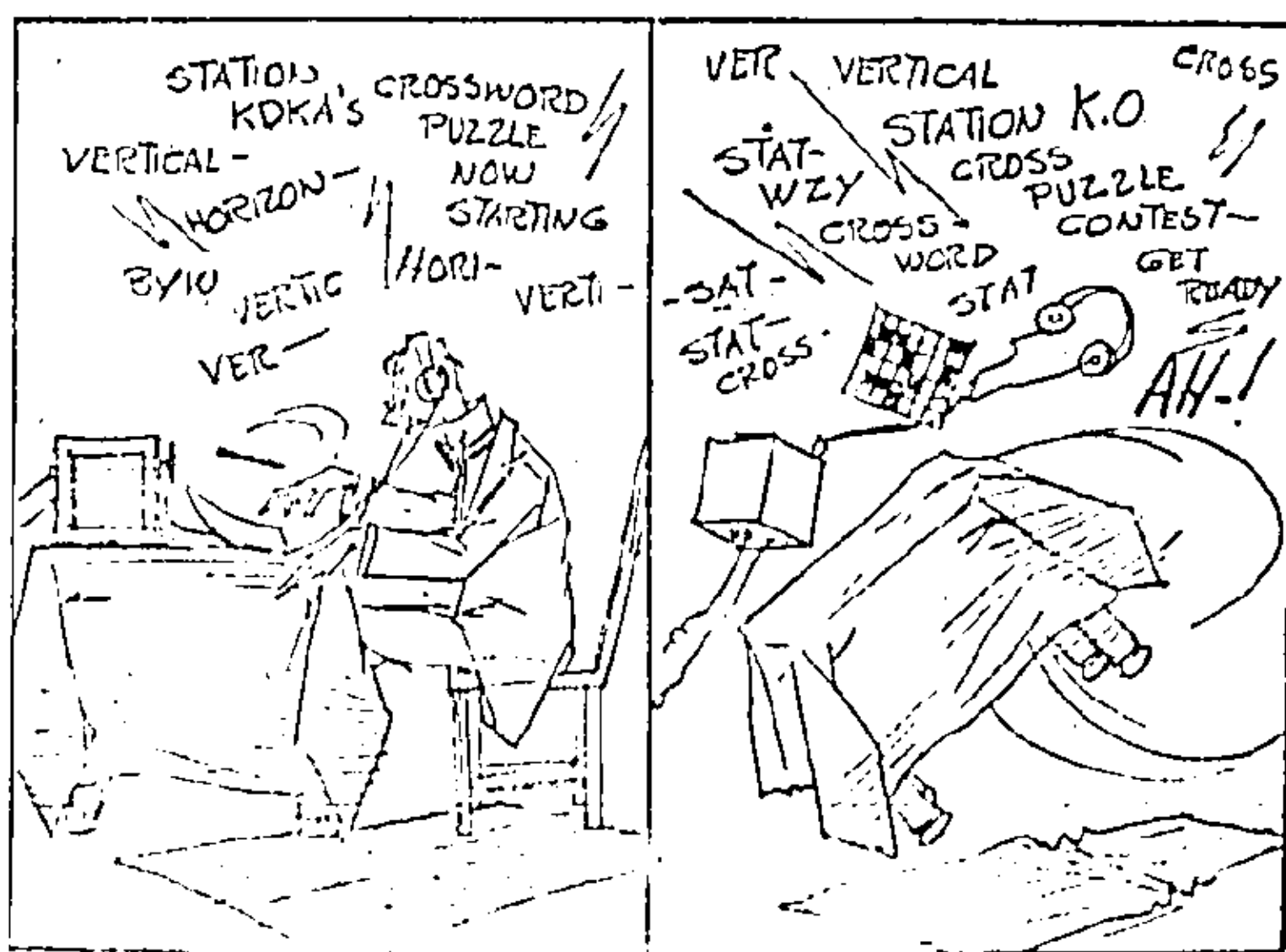
also able to take the Hsuangchiao messages. The Nauen station, though at about the same distance as the British and French stations, made some mistakes but these were attributed to temporary conditions, such as unfavourable air-currents and the bad condition of the receiving-set.

However, as the general result of the broadcasting experiment, it has now been demonstrated that the Hsuangchiao Wireless Station will hereafter be able to exchange satisfactory messages with American and European wireless stations daily.

IN LONDON.

New Broadcasting Station.

If a new transmitting station for broadcasting soon to be opened here, should prove satisfactory, it will supersede the old station at Marconi House, in the Strand, says the Times. The probability is that the new station will be placed on the roof of a high building about a mile and a half to the west of the present transmitter. The power used at this new



station will be double that now used. The main idea of this increase of power is to improve reception by crystal sets, and to overcome the possibility that listeners in South London might suffer from the removal of the transmitting station to a more distant position. It has still to be shown that the change will not interfere with the official wireless communications of the Admiralty and the Air Ministry. Otherwise the new arrangements should result in improved reception generally.

RADIO BISHOP.



The favourable impression created among churchmen by the radio broadcasting of his sermons has caused the Rev. Warren L. Rogers, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, to be named bishop coadjutor of the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio. He has been using the radio every Sunday for two years.

PRINCELY INCOME.

Clerk Who earned £141,150 In A Year.

It was disclosed during the hearing of an appeal in the House of Lords that in one year a London underwriting clerk earned over £141,000 in salary and commission.

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Inland Revenue Commissioners contended that the clerk was concerned in the management of the business, and their lordships upheld that view.

The clerk received a salary of £1,500, with a quarter of the commission earned by the firm up to £5,000, and a half of the balance. Under this arrangement he received £4,711 in 1913, £10,233 in 1914, £16,270 in 1915, £20,455 in 1916, £103,718 in 1917, and £141,150 in 1918.

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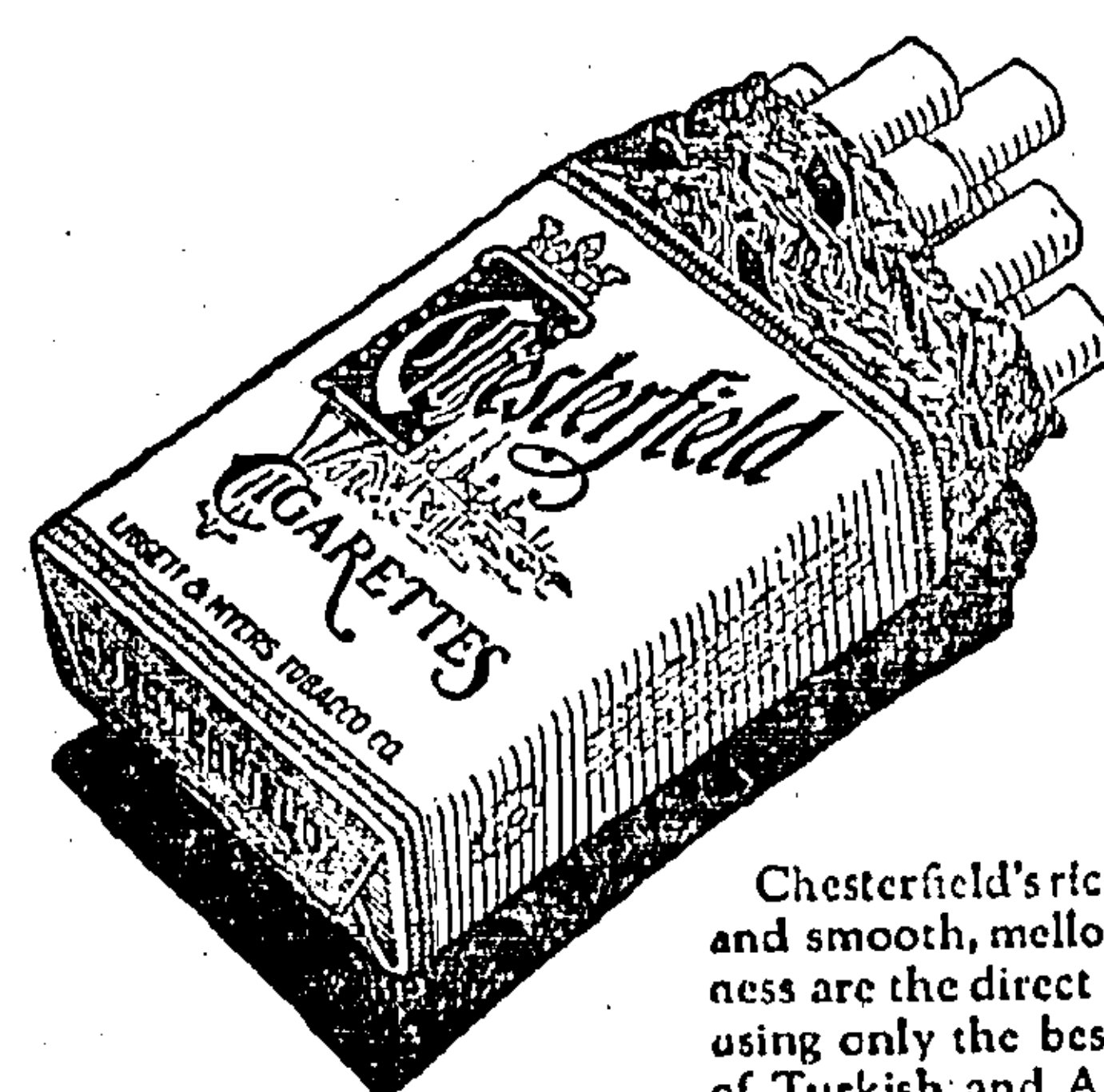
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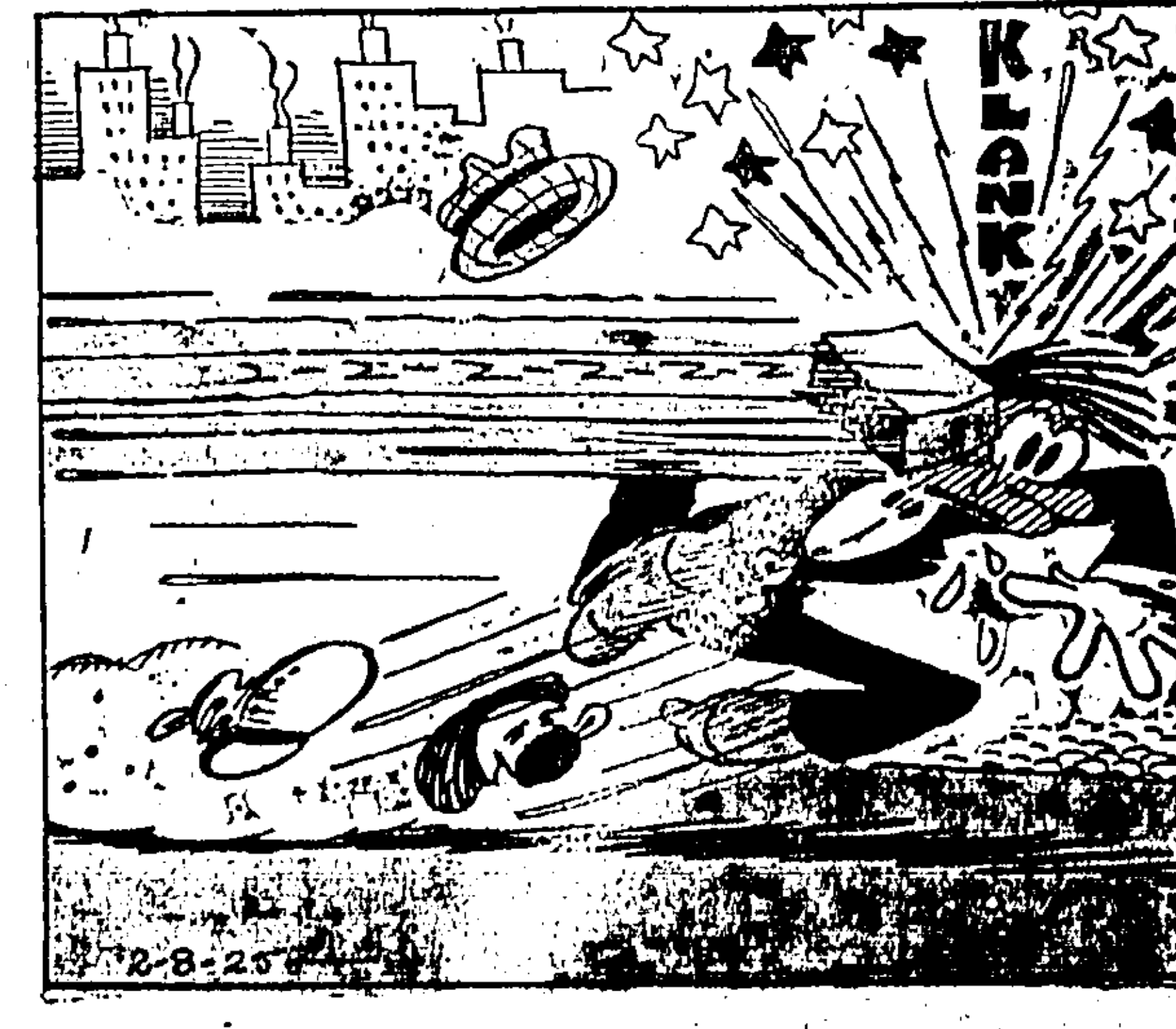
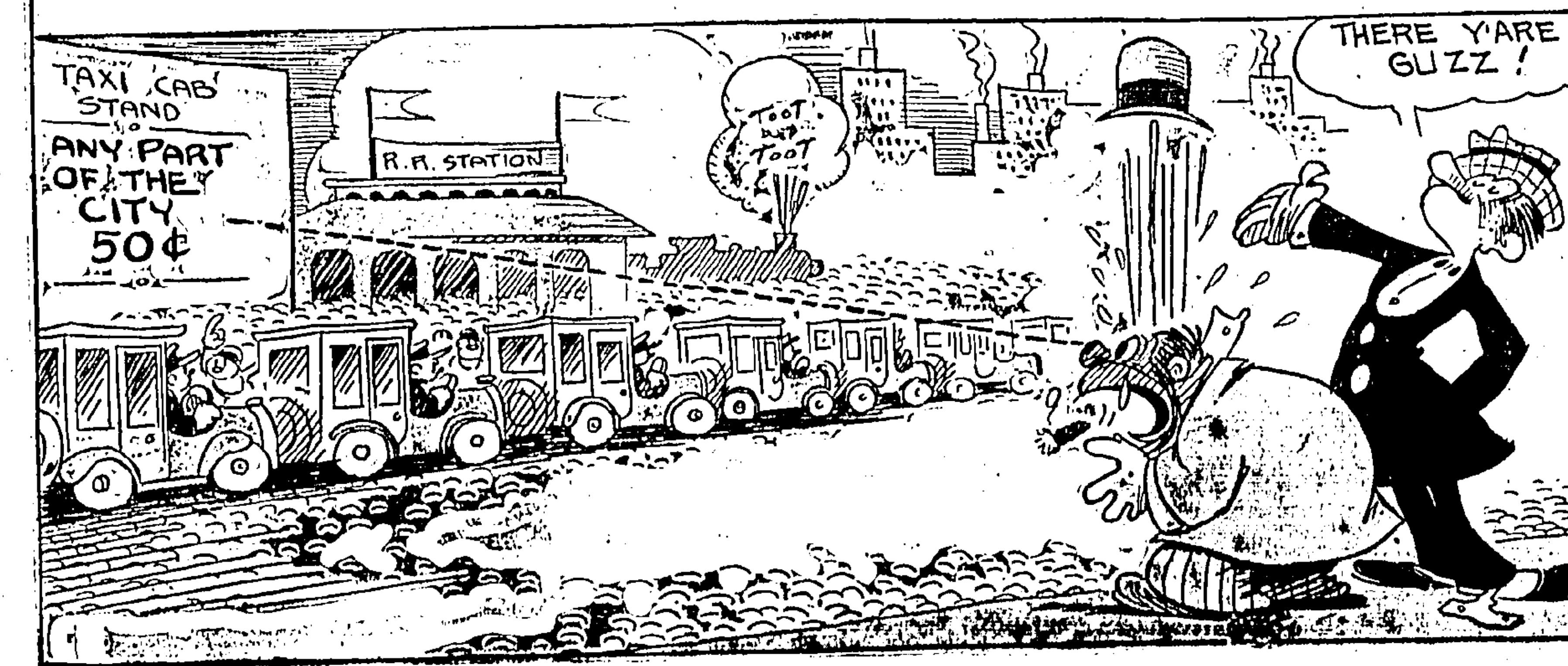
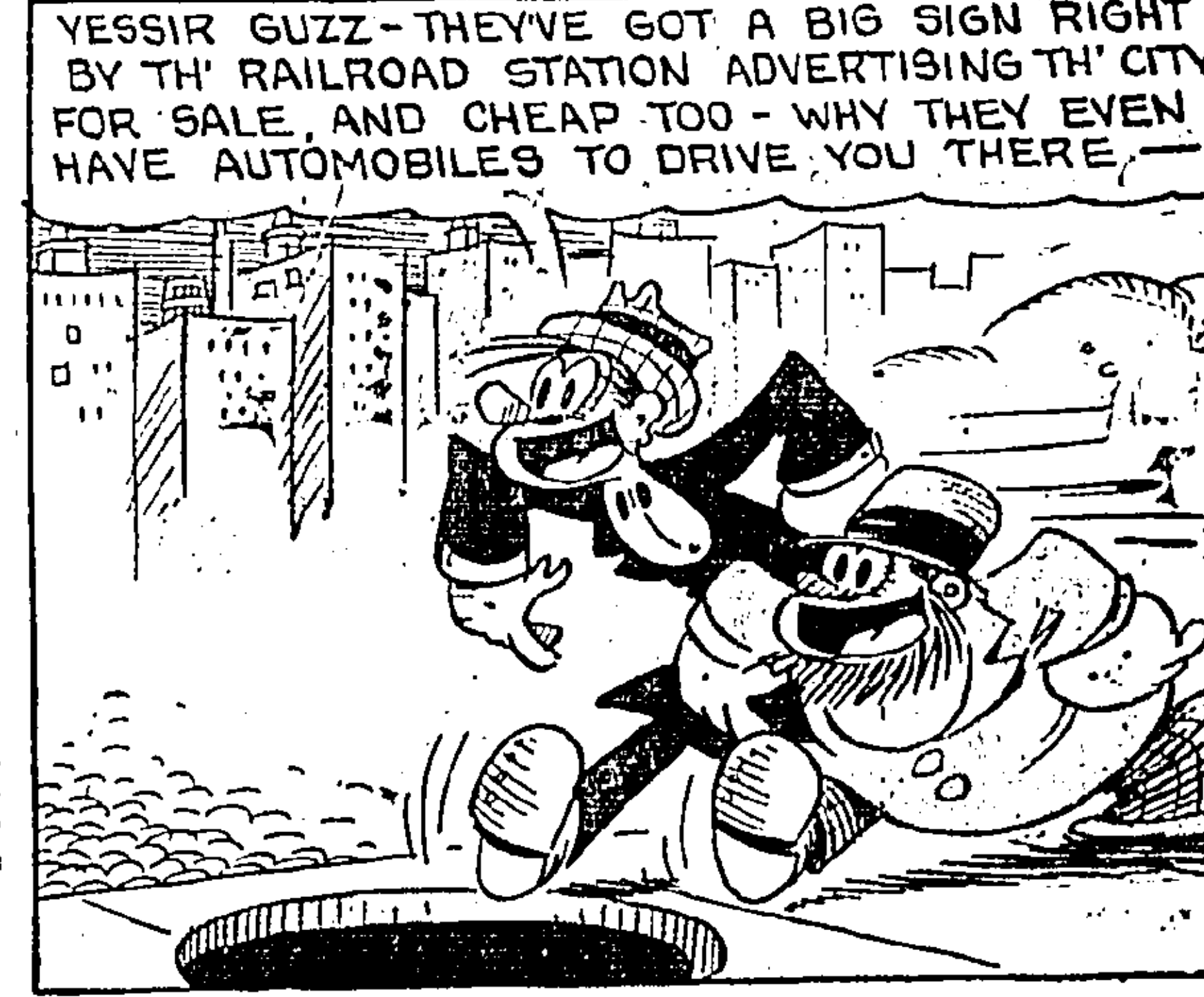
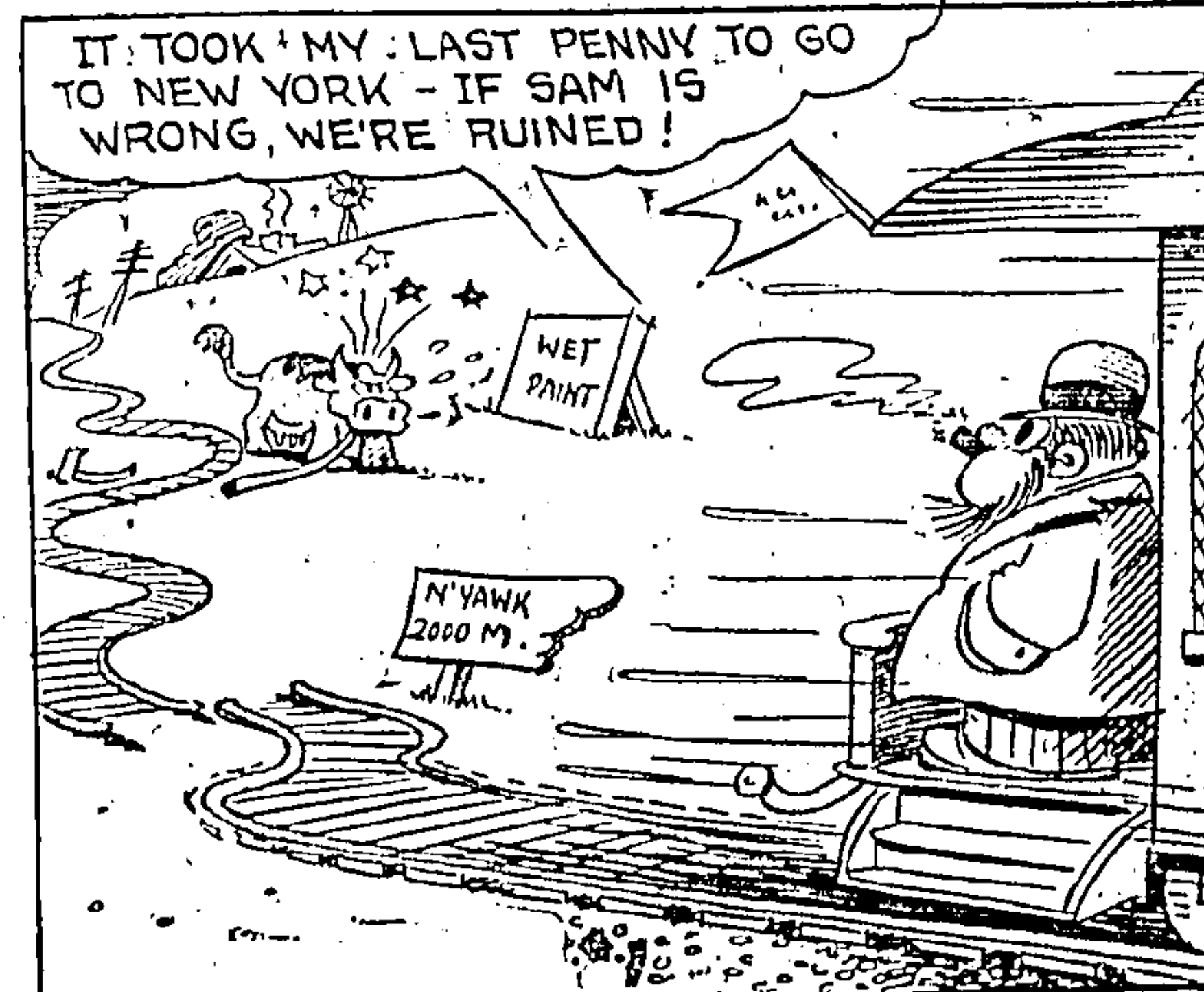
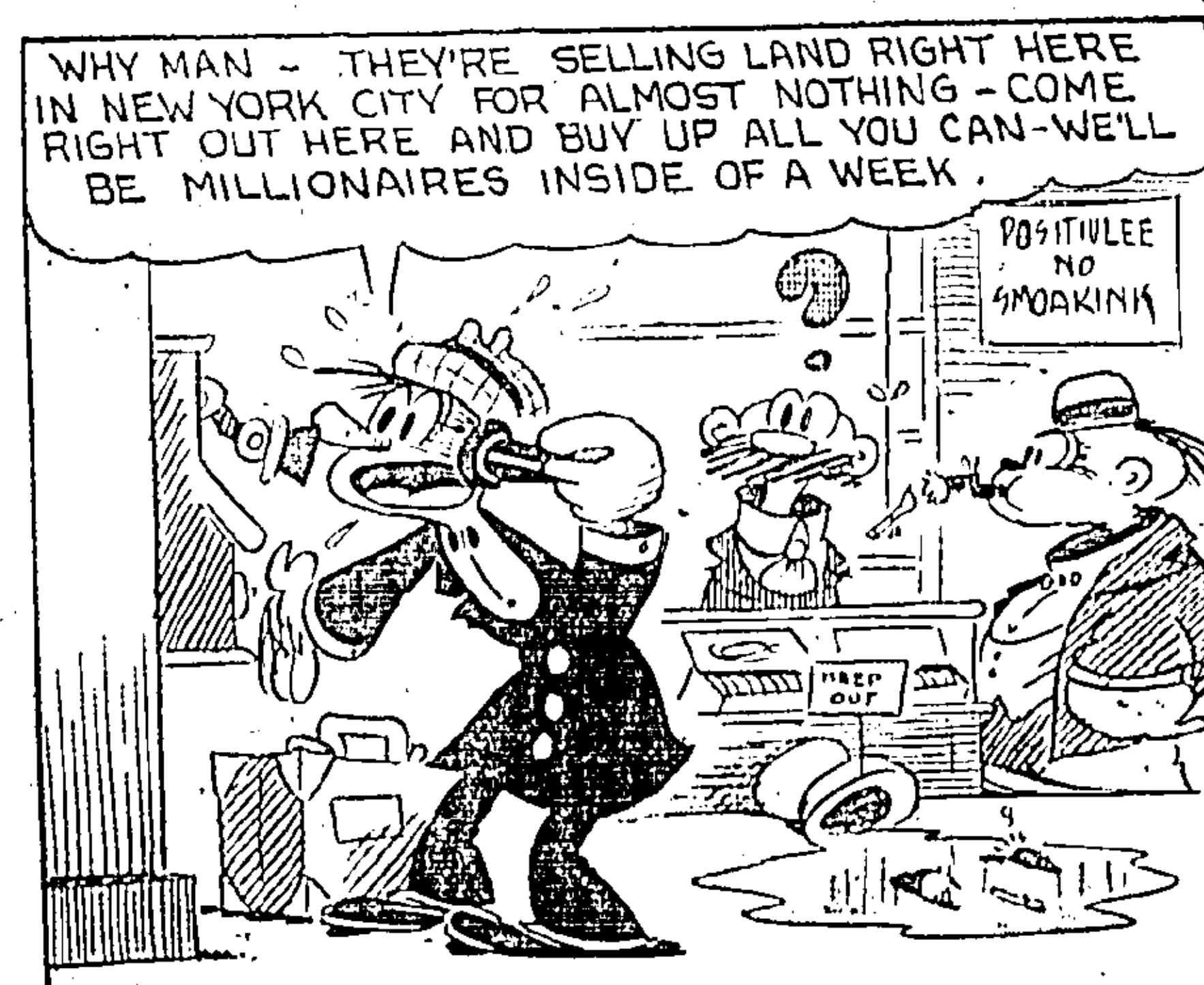
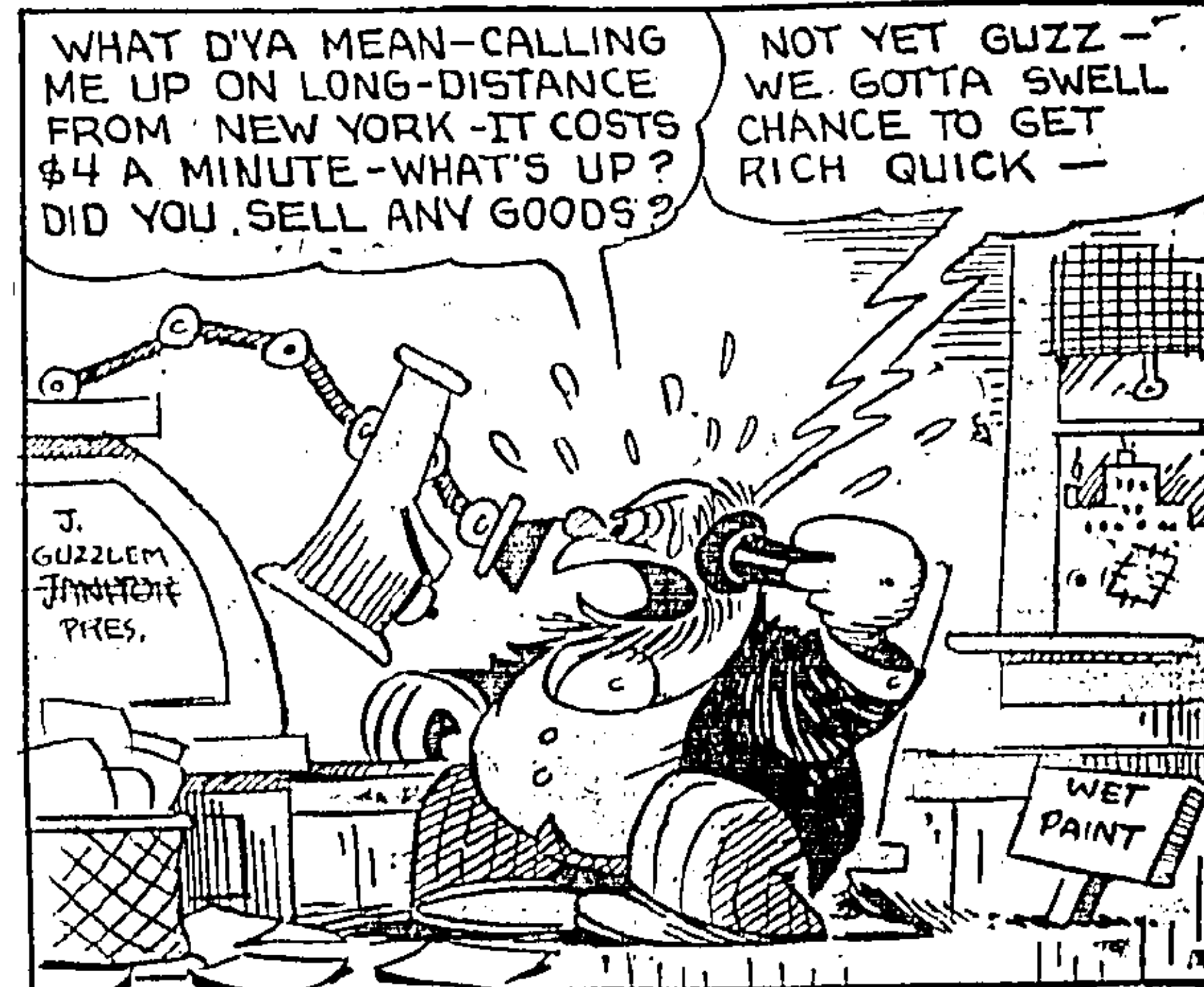
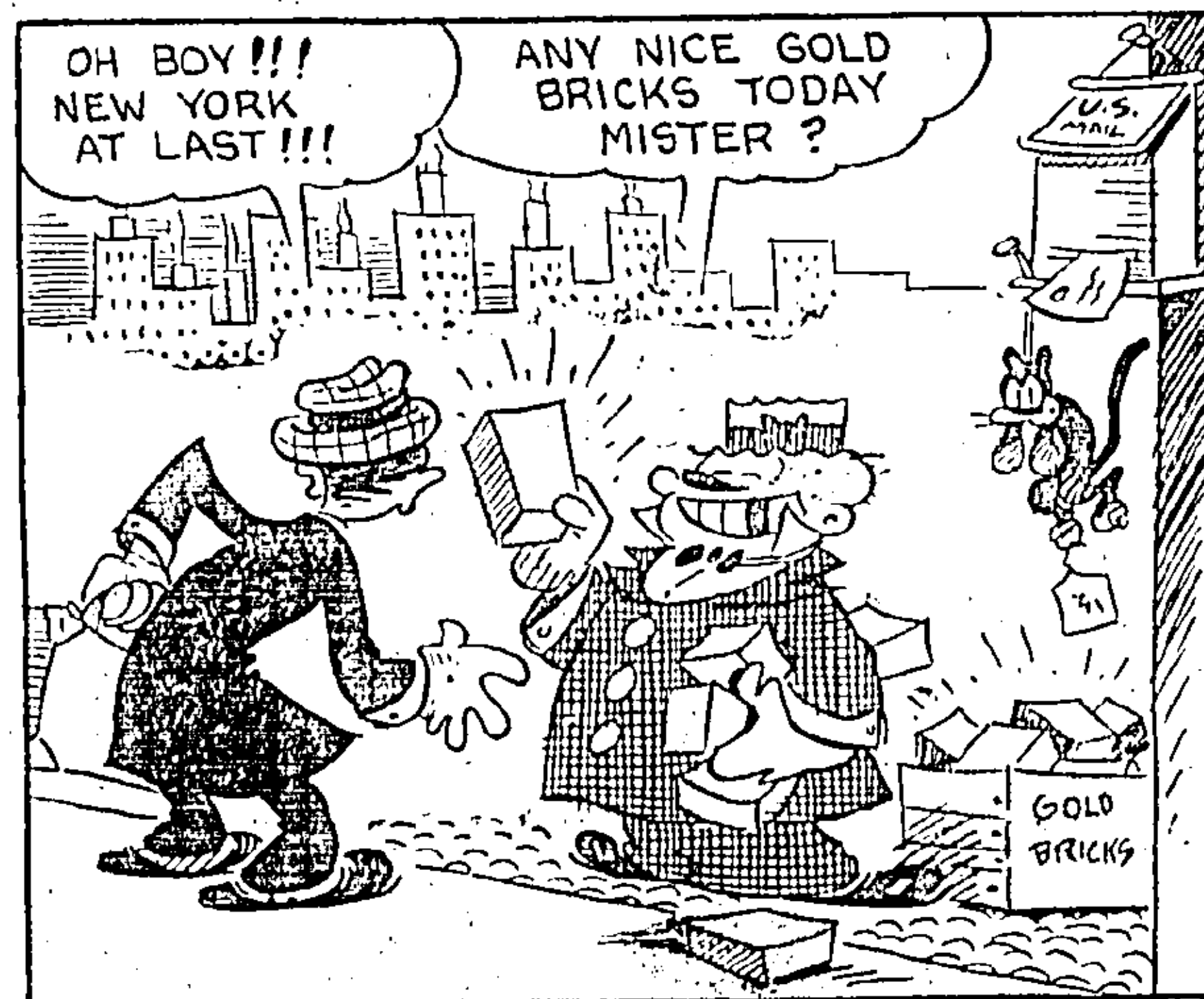
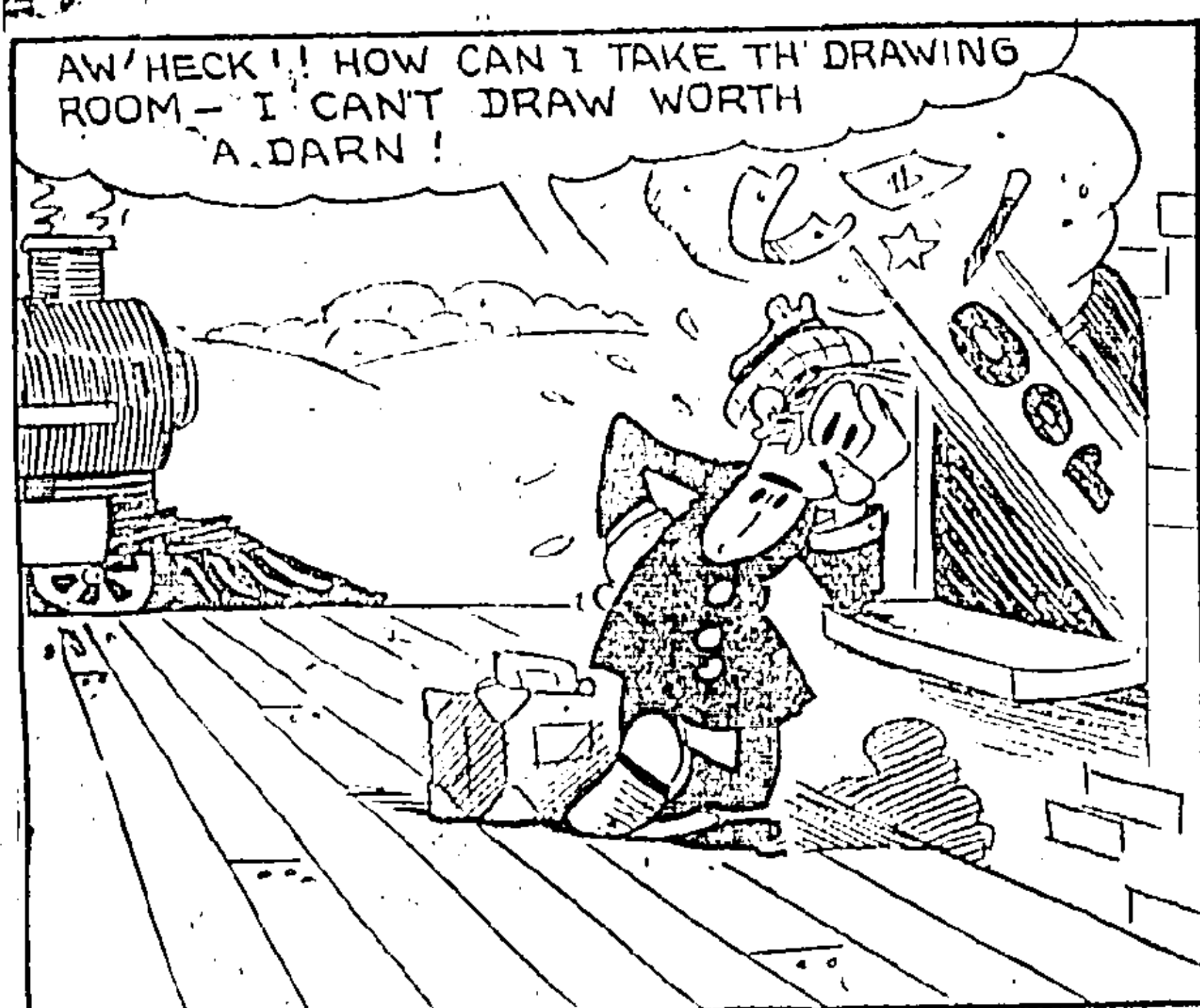
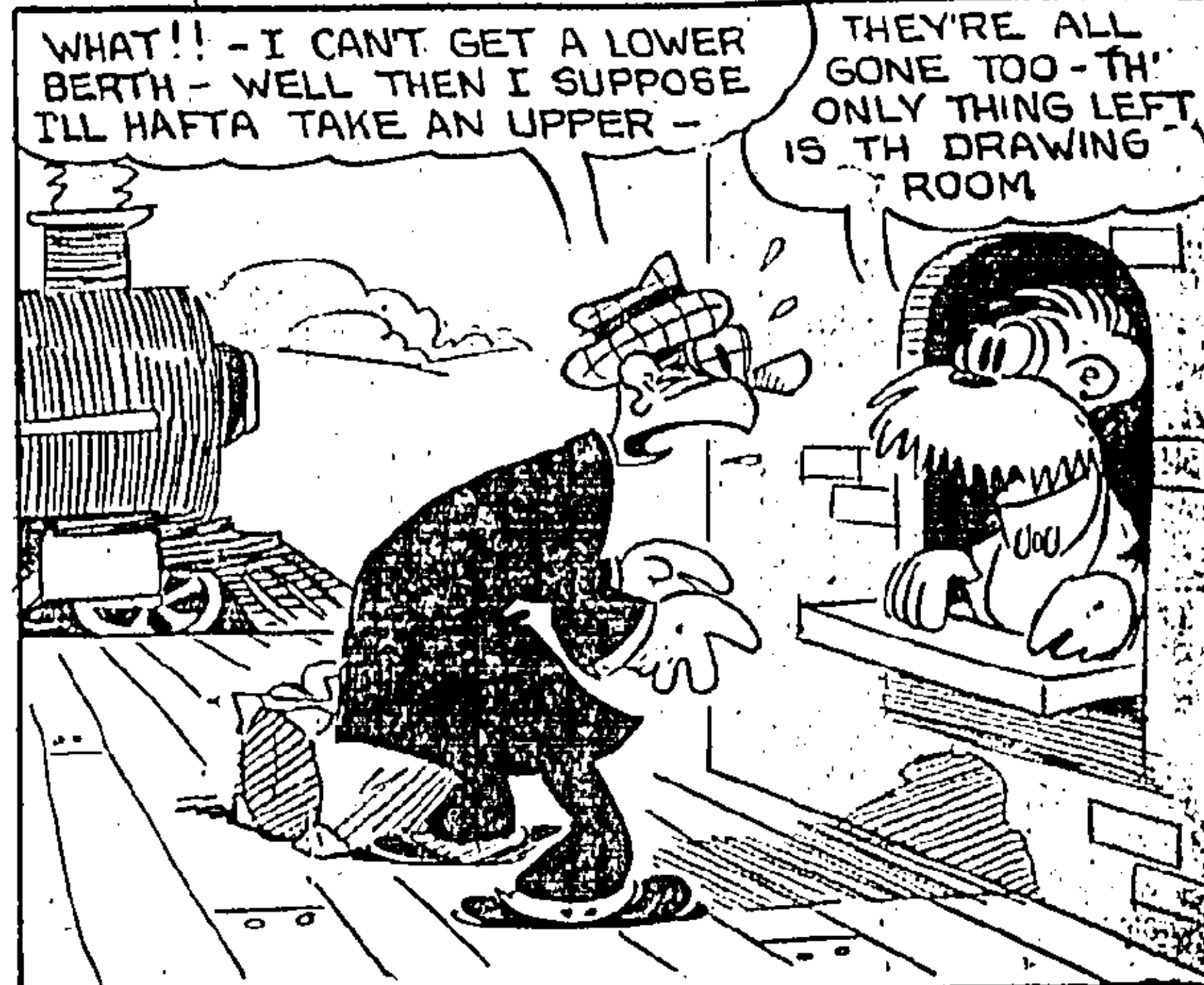
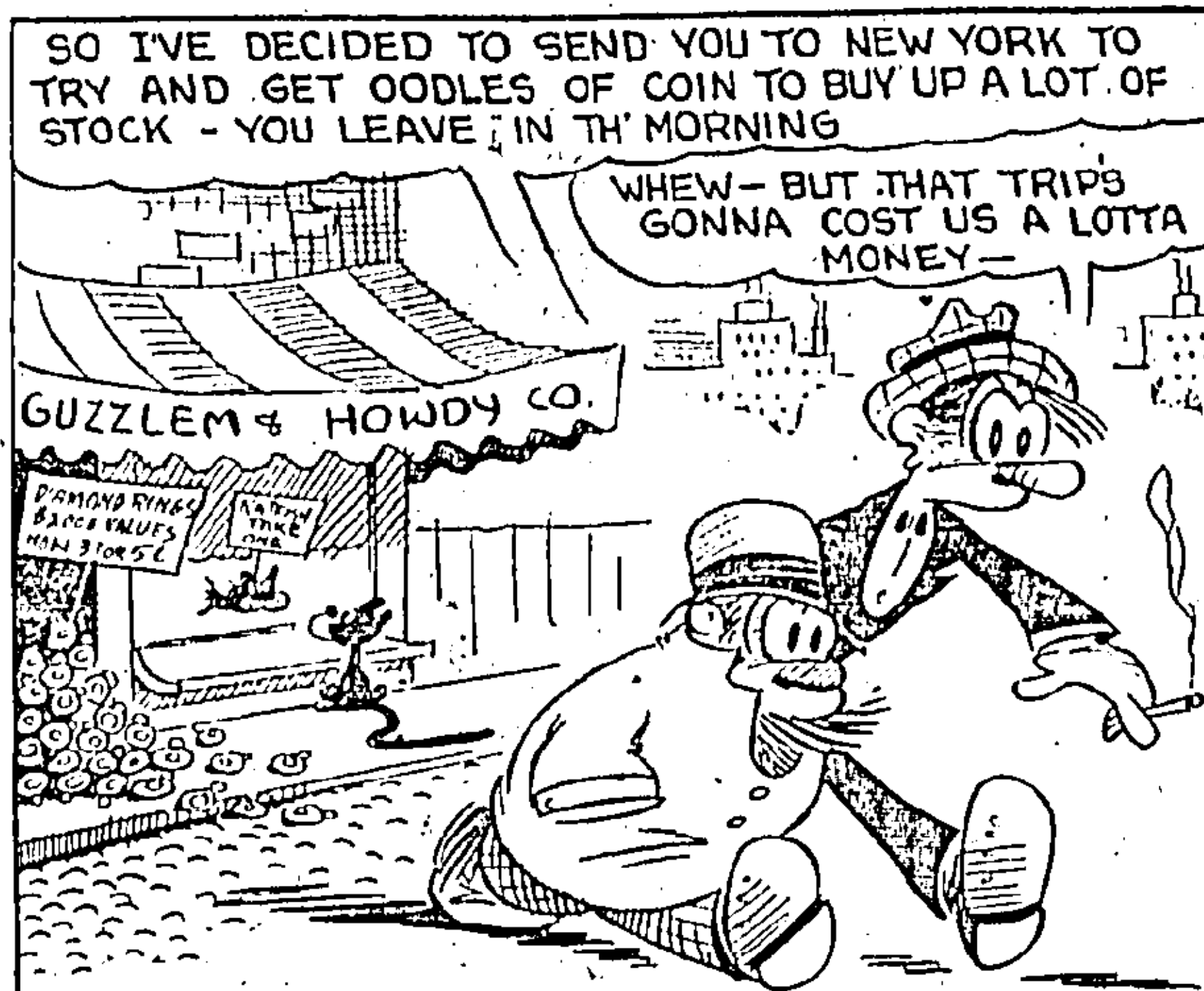
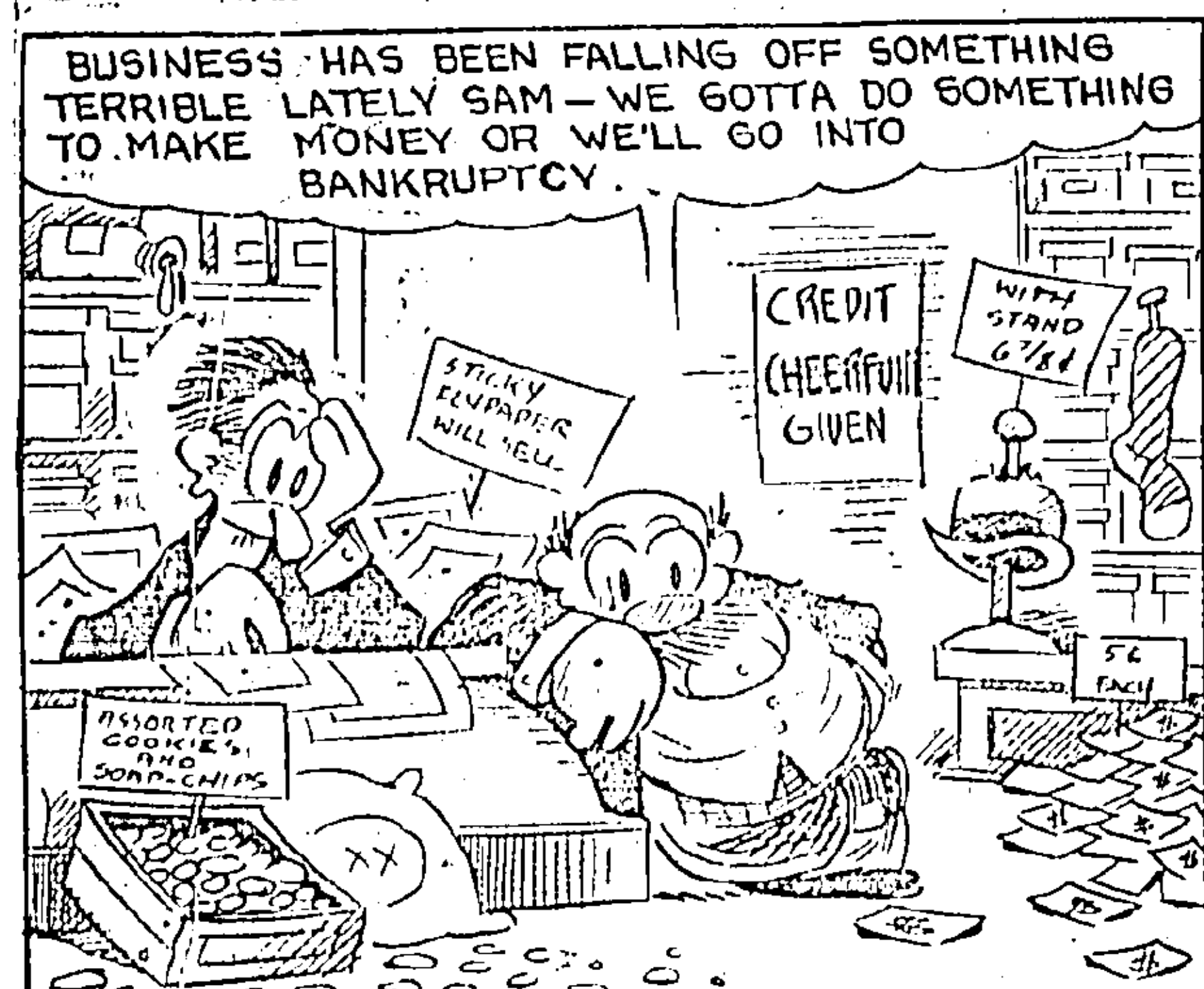
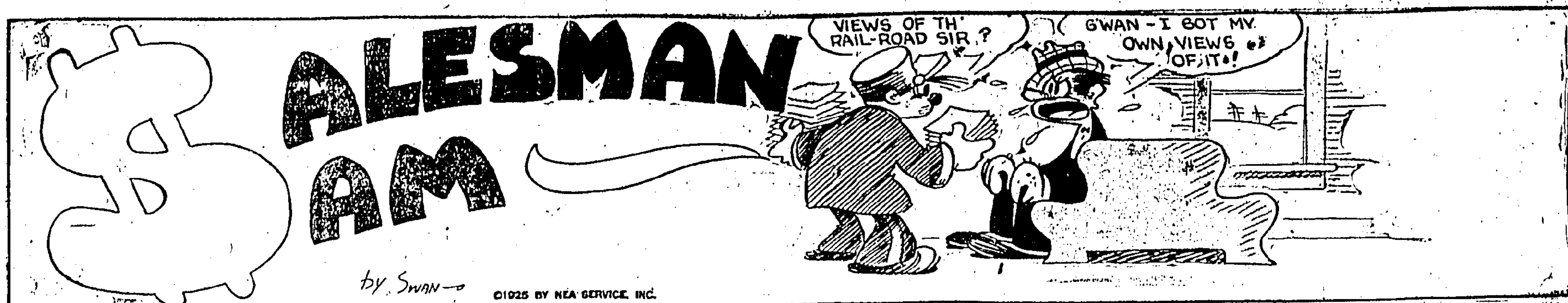
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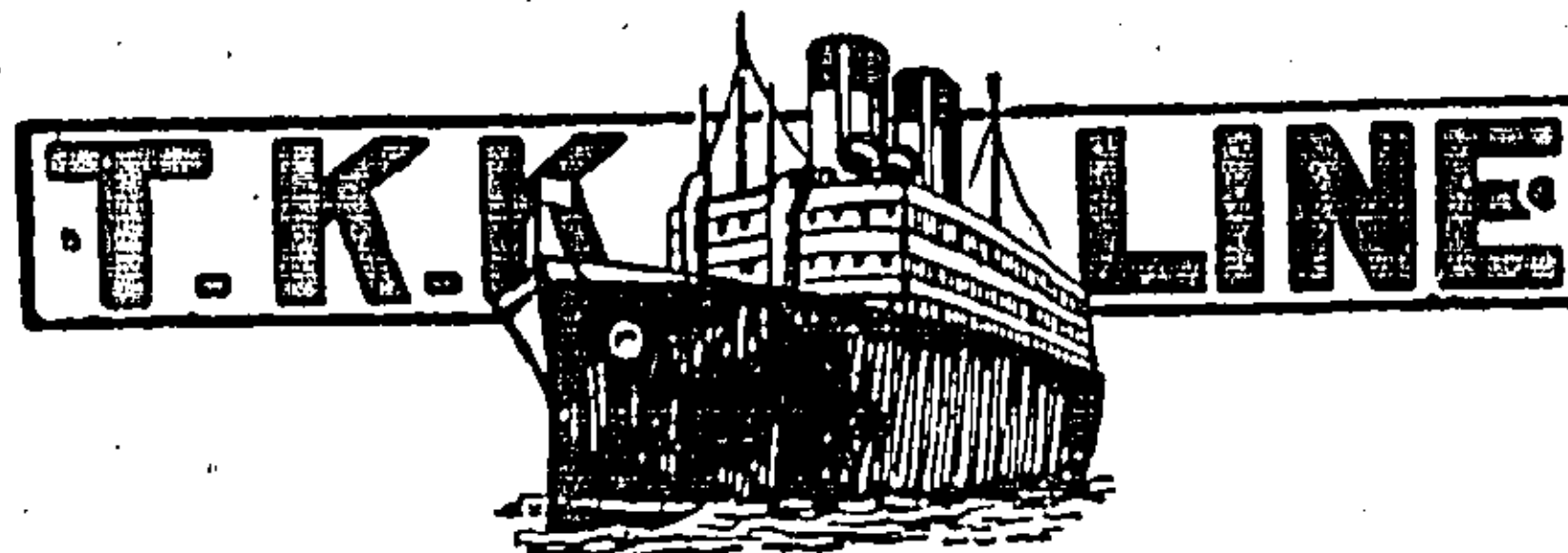
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ANGERS	26th Feb.	31st Mar.	12th Apr.
PAUL LECAT	12th Mar.	14th Apr.	26th Apr.
ANDRE LEBON	26th Mar.	27th Apr.	10th May.
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TIENTSIN	Sat. 21st Mar.	at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Sat. 21st Mar.	at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Sun. 22nd Mar.	at 10 a.m.
KOBE via Amoy & S'hai	Sun. 22nd Mar.	at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Sun. 22nd Mar.	at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Tues. 24th Mar.	at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Tues. 24th Mar.	at 3 p.m.
T'AO via S'hai & S'hai Kwong	Wed. 25th Mar.	at 7 a.m.
KOBE via Amoy & S'hai	Wed. 25th Mar.	at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG	Sun. 29th Mar.	at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Mon. 30th Mar.	at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	Wed. 1st Apr.	at noon.
SANDAKAN	Sat. 4th Apr.	at noon.

THE HURON'S MISHAP.

OFFICERS ABSOLVED FROM RESPONSIBILITY.

Manila, March 10.—All officers of the U.S.S. Huron have been absolved from responsibility in connection with the grounding of the cruiser, off Mahampaya Sound on February 25 by the Naval Board of Enquiry.

The accident is declared to have been due to the inaccuracy of the

available charts of the sound, the charts showing fourteen fathoms of water where the cruiser struck the reef.

BLACK LIST OF LONDON STREETS.

A "black list" of streets in which traffic is unduly congested has been drawn up by Sir Henry Maybury's Advisory Committee on London traffic, and will be forwarded to the Minister of Transport. With the list will be sent a recommendation of the Committee that the Minister should consider the desirability of making special regulations for these streets.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

The Steamship "PRES. GRANT" having arrived from Seattle via ports, on 13th March 1925 consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at the risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., at Kowloon, & stored at consignees' risk. Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned. All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 18th March, 1925, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Aahs.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 20th March 1925, will be subject to rent.

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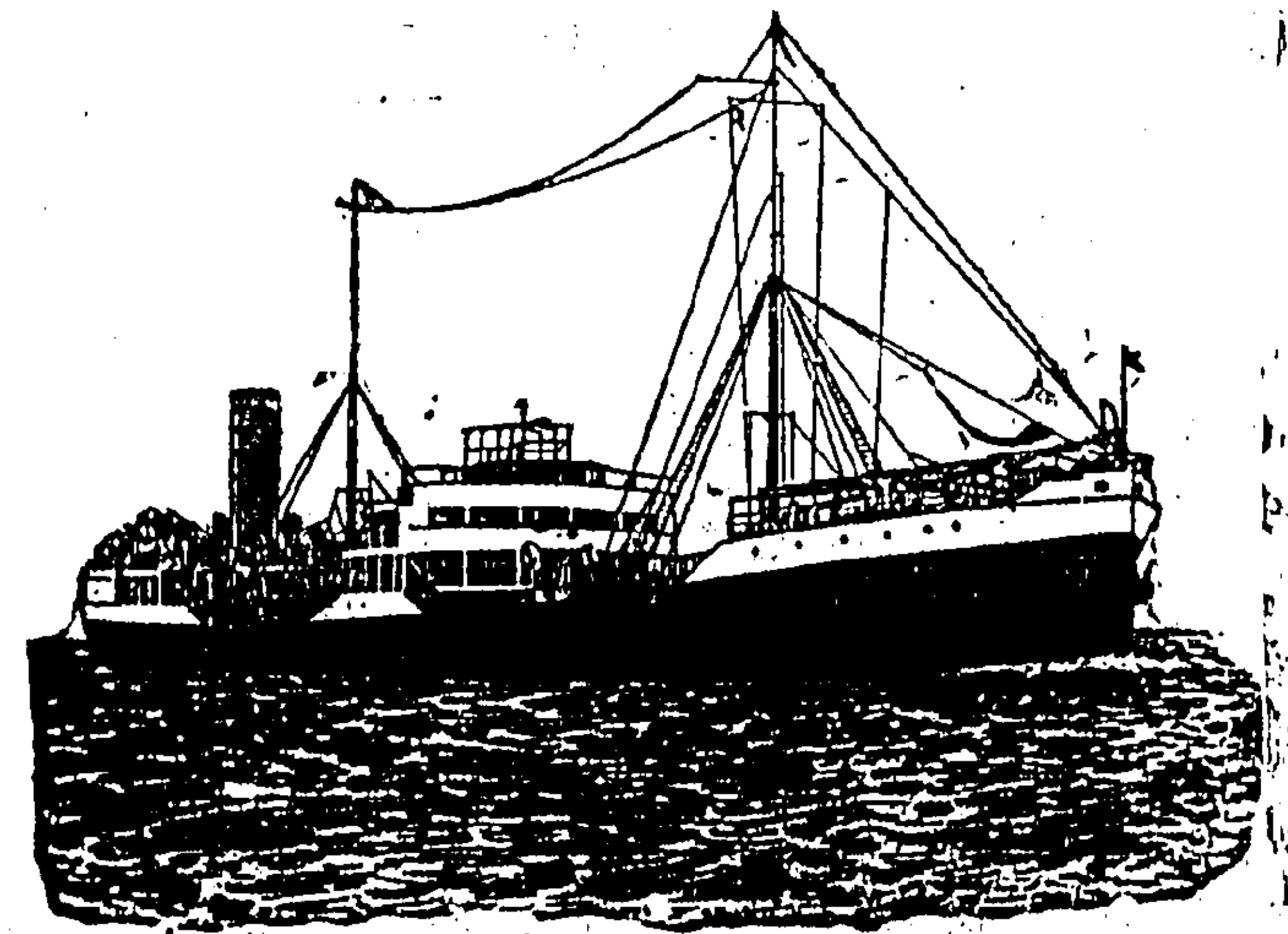
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KASHGAR	9,005	21 Mar. noon	M'les, London & Antwerp
SICILIA	6,813	2nd Apr.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MANTUA	10,802	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
KARMALA	9,088	18th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NAGPORE	5,283	22nd Apr.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MACEDONIA	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
SARDINIA	6,684	16th May	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
NAGOYA	6,854	26th May	Marseilles & London
SOUDAN	6,696	28th May	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London
SICILIA	6,813	9th June	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KALYAN	9,144	13th June	M'les, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,941	23rd June	Marseilles & London
KASHMIR	8,985	11th July	M'les, London & Antwerp
SARDINIA	6,684	22nd July	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MANTUA	1,0302	25th July	Marseilles & London

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TATRA	7,983	20 Mar. 1 p.m.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	6,946	3rd Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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*ARAFURA	6,000	1st Apr.	Manila, S'kan, Thursday Is.
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MACEDONIA	10,089	3rd April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TILAWA	10,006	4th April	Shanghai & Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th April	Moji & Kobe
TALAMBA	8,500	14th April	Kobe
SARDINIA	6,684	17th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
NAGOYA	6,854	23rd April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAKIWA	7,936	25th April	Kobe
MOREA	10,911	1st May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
SOUDAN	6,696	1st May	Shanghai & Kobe
TATRA	7,983	3rd May	Kobe
TANDA	6,956	9th May	Moji & Kobe
KALYAN	9,144	15th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe

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CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Union
Insurance Society of Canton,
Limited, will be held at the Head
Office of the Society, Union Build-
ing, Hongkong, on THURSDAY,
the 19th day of March, 1925, at
12 o'clock noon, when the sub-
joined Resolution will be pro-
posed as an Ordinary Resolution,
viz:—

"That out of the unissued
capital of the Society of £10
to issued 25,000 shares of £10
each credited as paid-up to
the extent of £4 per share
ranking for dividend and in
all other respects *pari passu*
with the shares of the
Society already issued; and
that the said additional
shares shall so far as shall
be necessary for the purpose
be allotted to those Share-
holders of the Yang-tze
Insurance Association Ltd.,
who have accepted or shall
accept the offer of the
Society made to them on
the 3rd day of December,
1924 (being an offer to
acquire shares in the As-
sociation on the basis of the
allotment of one share in
the Society in exchange for
six shares in the Associa-
tion), and that the balance
(if any) of the said addition-
al shares may be allotted
and disposed of by the
Society's Board of Directors
in such manner as such
Board shall think most
beneficial to the Society."

Dated the 9th day of March,
1925.
By order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD. NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Ordinary Yearly
Meeting of Shareholders will be
held in the offices of the Com-
pany, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hong-
kong, on MONDAY, the 30th
March 1925, at noon, for con-
sideration of the Directors'
Report and Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ending 31st
December 1924.

The Share Register and Trans-
fer Books will be closed from the
20th to the 30th March 1925, (both
days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of
Directors.

R. M. DYER,
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Hongkong, 12th March, 1925.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Mar. 18d. 11h. 12m.—Pressure
has increased moderately over
Japan, and in the vicinity of
Shanghai; it has decreased slight-
ly to moderately elsewhere. The
anticyclone is central to the north
of Shantung, and the northern
depression is still indicated to the
east of Hakkaido; a shallow
depression remains over Indo-
China.

Fresh monsoon will prevail
along the east coast of China, and
moderate monsoon over the north
part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day
0.00 inch. Total since January
1st, 4.74 inches, against an
average of 4.58 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel	
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamook	N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy, drizzle or mist.
3 H'kong to Gap Rook	
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
Hongkong, March 18.

LONG SERVICE.

The death occurred at the
General Hospital Singapore,
last week, of James Alexander
Pereira, who occupied the
position of head reader in the
Government Printing Office.
The deceased, who was well
advanced in years, was a
Portuguese, being born in Lisbon.
With his parents he went to
Ceylon at the age of eight. He
was connected with the Press in
both Ceylon and India and 20
years ago went to the F. M. S.
and was attached to the *Malay
Mail* and later he joined the staff
of the *Malaya Tribune*. Some
four years ago he joined the
Government Service, and until
six days previous to death had
attended his duties.

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